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House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee
Written Proponent Testimony for HB 2346
Presented by: Chase Hodges

Chairman Tarwater and House Commerce committee members,

I am Chase Hodges representing UTR Sports in support of HB 2346 (with new version of the bill).

I am Chase Hodges, Senior Vice President of UTR Sports. UTR Sports is a technology company that serves as an online platform for tennis and pickleball events throughout the world. The UTR Sports platform connects players, coaches, clubs and federations to promote level based play through the UTR rating (tennis) and UTRP rating (pickleball). I have recently been working with Visit Overland Park to bring national pickleball events to the state of Kansas.

As an event provider throughout the world, I support HB 2346 in Kansas because it will bring a level playing field to the state and allow Kansas to have increased economic impact in the state through these events. After having the opportunity to explore the Overland Park, Kansas area, I was impressed with the first class facilities and venues that the area had to offer. I support HB 2346 because I feel these facilities should have the same opportunity as other venues in supported states to bring first class events to Kansas.

I submit this testimony as an endorsement of House Bill 2346 and its new language. I respectfully ask that this bill be passed and submitted for full approval of the House of Representatives.

Regands,

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