



*Kansas  
Licensed  
Beverage  
Association*

Testimony on SB 299  
March 8, 2012

Senate Federal & State Affairs Committee

Chairman Brunk, and Representatives of the Committee,

I am Philip Bradley representing the Kansas Licensed Beverage Association. The KLBA represents the interests of the men and women in the hospitality industry, who own, manage and work in Kansas bars, breweries, clubs, caterers, hotels, and restaurants. These are the places you frequent and enjoy with the tens of thousands of employees that are glad to serve you. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today and I will be brief.

The Kansas Viticulture and Farm Winery Assn. (KVFVA), Artisan Distillers of KS (ADK), and Craft Brewers Guild of KS (CBGK) have asked me to also speak for them on these issues.

We are appreciative of all efforts to reduce regulation of unnecessary, restrictive laws and regulations. **We urge you to do so fairly and without favoring one class of license over others.** Our combined positions are below and the specific points are on the back of this page.

**SB 299--Alcoholic beverages; creating a public venue license. We approve of the concepts allowed in the bill but believe they should be allowed to all qualified licensed establishments. We ask you to amend this measure in that way.** In fact we have been asking for these for on premise beverage retailers in previous years. We agree with the ABC that these, specifically in new section 1a items 2, 3 and 4. Those include bottle service, Suite/Banquet room separate pricing, and all inclusive event pricing. These exist in other states and would help make Kansas businesses more competitive. In addition this bill asks for the normal business practice of an ability to return product which is forbidden to other on premise licensees.

There are undoubtedly further issues that will arise as these are answered.

Again thank you for your attention and consideration. I am available for your questions.

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