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TO:

Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee

FROM:

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RE:

Written Testimony in Support of SB 274

Thank you for allowing the League of Kansas Municipalities to submit testimony in support of SB 274. Several years ago, cities were authorized to allow alcoholic liquor sales and consumption in properly barricaded areas during special events. Unfortunately, the temporary alcoholic liquor permit process only allowed the permits to be issued for a period of three days per permit. Thus, SB 274 is a bill to correct this oversight and allow a temporary permit to be issued by the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the duration of the event. This will allow cities that have longer events to utilize the authority granted by statute. As a safeguard, the event must be approved by the city or county and the permit is limited to ten consecutive days.

The League strongly supports SB 274 and urges this committee to report the bill favorably for passage.