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Testimony on **SB 390**Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee

Chairman Brungardt and Senators of the Committee

We oppose SB 390 simply because it reduces the 60% minimum requirement for KS product.

We believe that **SB 390** has elements that are beneficial and we support those. They were the original requests from Dept. of Agriculture and include sale of Farm Winery, unopened containers at events and allowing consumption on Farm Winery premises of product made and sold by the Farm Winery. Tese are changes that the entire industry supports as well as the Dept. of Agriculture and would assist not only the industry but the consumers as well.

The issue of the connection to KS fruit and how that is essential to the promotion and growth of Acres of KS grapes I will address more fully in my SB 379 testimony.

We have worked with Sen Schmidt who we understand originally introduced this bill at least in part at the request of the Dept. of AG. We have asked to remove the proposed change on pg. 2, line 24 "60% 10%".

We hope that that can still be done and we discuss the merits of that issue in SB 379 that we are also hearing today.

Also we believe that amended as outlined above, this measure continues to elevate and promote Kansas as a wonderful wine state.

Thank you for your time, service and consideration,

Philip Bradley

Representing the Kansas Viticulture and Farm Winery Association

