



Representative Mark Hutton
Kansas State Capitol
300 SW 10th St., Room 346-S
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Chairman Hutton and Members of the Committee,

With more than 400 Kansas restaurants and bar and grills who are licensed Kansas Lottery Retailers, the Kansas Restaurant and Hospitality Association stands in support of House Bill 2171, known as the Kansas Lottery Modernization Bill.

Among the bill's proposed changes is allowing the use of electronic dispensers to sell lottery products. Currently many restaurants and bar and grills who offer lottery products to their customers do not sell instant scratch tickets because of concerns regarding inventory control and product shrinkage. As has been experienced by lottery retailers in states where electronic dispensers are allowed, KRHA believes electronic dispensers would greatly improve our members' ability to track lottery product inventory and sales as well as reduce customer wait times.

Adding instant scratch tickets to their lottery product offerings also would broaden the number of customers purchasing lottery products, again increasing sales and retailer commissions.

We respectfully ask the Committee to recognize the many benefits in allowing the Kansas Lottery to continue its efforts to modernize and to send House Bill 2171 to the Kansas House for its full consideration.

Sincerely,

Adam Mills
Kansas Restaurant & Hospitality Association