Dear Chairman Brunk and committee members,

As the owner of a commercial bingo hall in Topeka for over 30 years I support bill #2291.

I lease to 2 non-profit organizations who have bingo 3 nights a week. They do not have the space to have bingo at their lodges so we give them the opportunity and space to be able to make money for the different charities they support. The changes with this bill would allow us to be able to add more organizations and give us more freedom to compete with casinos. It would also give us the opportunity to bring in more tax dollars for the state.

I also don't think the government should be able to control the leases that I have with my organizations because if I have an increase in my rent or supplies I have to go to the government to ask for permission to raise my rent or supplies to the organizations. Passing this bill would give all bingo halls whether they are American Legions, VFW's, or commercial halls the opportunity to make more money for their charities and the community.

We greatly appreciate your consideration on passing this bill.

Thank You

Karen Roy

Owner Capitol Bingo