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Chairman Marvin KleeB
Kansas State House of Representatives
Members of House Taxation Committee

Dear Chairman KleeB & Members of House Taxation Committee:

I was contacted this past fall concerning the taxing problems with bed and breakfast operations in the State of Kansas. I believe that this bill, HB 2168, will clear up any misunderstanding or legislative intent in HB 2004.

Line 23, real property used for bed and breakfast, will be taxed at 11.5%, **not** at the commercial rate. A bed and breakfast means property with five or fewer bedrooms available for overnight guests who stay for not more than 28 consecutive days/nights and for which there is compliance with all zoning or other ordinances which pertain to lodging and feeding guests.

Of the inns in Kansas, 85% have five or fewer rooms. These are usually in rural communities and are very important for our small towns throughout the state.

I urge your support for HB 2168 and stand for questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald W. Ryckman Sr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ronald W. Ryckman, Sr.
District 115