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Testimony in Support of SB 262

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

On behalf of Americans for Prosperity, thank you for this opportunity to voice our support of SB 262.

Kansas has prided itself in creating a favorable business environment to help job creators develop and grow their business. Unfortunately our state has failed to extend this environment to the business of bingo halls, which is why we support the passage of SB 262.

The State of Kansas should not restrict the number of days a business can be open, the number of hours they can operate or their distance to a competitor. Repealing the arbitrary three day limit, the forty-four hour operation restriction and the rule of placing a bingo facility at least one thousand feet from a competitor is a step in the right direction.

To the extent that there are local community concerns about the operation of a business, sweeping state regulations are not the solution.

AFP-Kansas encourages you to stand up for small businesses in Kansas by supporting SB 262 to ensure that state government does not once again overstep its place by over-regulating legitimate small businesses, and the charitable organizations that raise money through bingo, as authorized by the people of Kansas through a constitutional amendment.

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