



March 24, 2015

To: Senate Committee on Federal & State Affairs
From: R.E. "Tuck" Duncan
Kansas Wine & Spirits Wholesalers Association
RE: HB2191

The Kansas Wine & Spirits Wholesalers Association supports HB 2191, Alcoholic beverages; sampling by distributor licensees.

Current law allows a distributor to provide a sealed bottle to a retailer licensee, but does not allow a distributor to provide at the retailer's licensed premises a one ounce taste of a product. This bill would allow distributors of alcoholic beverages to provide samples to liquor retailers in an area of the licensed premises that is not open to the public. This will better educate retailers so they can be better informed for their customers.

This bill does not affect consumer tastings that were approved by the Legislature the last several years.

There were no House committee amendments, nor were there any House Committee of the Whole amendments. The bill passed 111-9.

We ask that you recommend this bill favorably for passage and place it on the Consent Calendar.

Thank you.