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WHOLESALE ASSOCIATION

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To: House Committee on Appropriations

From: R.E. "Tuck" Duncan  
General Counsel, Kansas Wine & Spirits Wholesalers Association

RE: HB2362 — AN ACT concerning the department of revenue; relating to the division of alcoholic beverage control; fees; establishing the alcoholic beverage control modernization fee and the alcoholic beverage control modernization fund

The KWSWA supports HB2362.

HB 2362 would reduce the initial application fee to \$30 and charge a new \$20 Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) modernization fee for both initial and renewal applications. The fee would be deposited in the new Alcoholic Beverage Control Modernization Fund and would be used for the replacement of work processes, computer hardware, software, and equipment associated with the Department of Revenue's licensing, permitting, enforcement, and case management.

Improving the technology of the Kansas ABC is important to the industry and for the ability of the industry and the Agency to meet their common objectives.

The committee should recommend the bill favorably for passage and this bill should be placed on the consent calendar for final action.

*Thank you for your attention to and consideration of this matter.*