

February 15, 2018

Memorandum:

To: The House Federal and State Affairs Committee

From: Thomas M. Palace Executive Director PMCA of Kansas

Re: Written Testimony Supporting HB 2517

Mr. Chairman and Member of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee:

My name is Tom Palace. I am the Executive Director of the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association of Kansas (PMCA of Kansas), a statewide trade association representing over 300 independent Kansas petroleum distribution companies and convenience store retailers throughout Kansas.

PMCA supports HB 2517.

HB 2517 proposes to allow the Kansas Lottery to utilize electronic dispensers/vending machines to sell lottery products.

The electronic dispensers will:

- Reduce lines at the customer service counters
- Allow for more games to be sold
- Reduce customer wait lines for other store patrons buying other products

Convenience store owners are always looking for ways to get their customers in and out of the store quickly. Allowing an electronic ticket dispenser to be used will be a tremendous help assisting customers with the purchase of lottery tickets.

We support the efforts by the Kansas Lottery and ask that the committee support HB 2517.

Thank you