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Mr. Chairman & Members of the House Agriculture Committee:

The Kansas Dairy Association supports SB 346.

The bill requires any unpasteurized milk product to be clearly labeled as “Raw” or “Unpasteurized”. The original language of the bill, as introduced in the Senate, required each container label to state “This product contains raw milk that is not pasteurized and could contain bacteria that may cause foodborne illness.” The Kansas Dairy Association supports ensuring that the consuming public has a thorough understanding of the potential negative effects of consuming unpasteurized dairy products. Although, the Kansas Dairy Association may support SB 346 as it stands, the Board of Directors still have serious concerns about the consumption of raw milk. Pasteurized milk is delicious and full of nutrients but most importantly, science has proven that it is the safer option for human consumption.

The bill also extends the sunset for the current milk and dairy license fees from June 20, 2023, to June 30, 2028, and some other minor adjustments, which KDA supports.

Thank you for your time and consideration today.

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