



DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL
OF THE UNITED STATES

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HB2611 Proponent Written Only Testimony
House Federal and State Affairs Committee
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Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, thank you for allowing affirmative testimony to be submitted supporting HB2611 on behalf of the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, the national trade association representing producers and marketers of distilled spirits and importers of wines sold in the US.

Over 30 states, plus the District of Columbia, currently allow for the delivery of spirits from liquor stores. All states surrounding Kansas allow for home delivery and have a successful track record of safe and reliable delivery of our products.

Consumers have come to expect the convenience and safety that is provided by the delivery of consumable products and household goods. Alcohol is no exception. DISCUS supports the legal option allowing liquor stores to deliver or utilize a licensed 3rd party to deliver their products to their consumers. This in no way requires individual licensees to deliver, it simply allows those licensees to provide the service to consumers if they so choose.

From the standpoint of responsibility, the Distilled Spirits Council and the spirits industry is committed to responsible consumption and encourages moderation for adults who choose to drink alcohol. Home delivery is accompanied by the same safety protocols that all beverage alcohol purchases require by law including age verification to ensure underage persons do not illegally access alcohol.

We encourage the Committee to vote positively on this legislation. We appreciate your consideration and ask that you support the passage of HB2611.

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