

Kansas
Licensed
Beverage
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Chairman Siegfried, and Members of the Committee,

I am Philip Bradley representing the Kansas Licensed Beverage Association. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today and I will be brief and not repeat information presented by others.

The Kansas Viticulture and Farm Winery Assn. (KVFWA), Artisan Distillers of KS (ADK), and Craft Brewers Guild of KS (CBGK) have asked me to also speak for them on these issues.

We ask you to pass SB 35 as amended. It is a joint effort of the industry, ABC and LE groups. It is job friendly and will help keep people working while still protecting the citizens of Kansas.

We are appreciative of all efforts to reduce unnecessary regulations, restrictive laws and unneeded rules and this addresses another in that list.

SB 35 amends the law prohibiting a licensee from hiring certain employees. It has reasonable restrictions while still allowing deserving individuals to apply for work. It more squarely places the responsibility of deciding who to hire on the business and allows them the freedom to help those deserving. **We urge you to advance this measure.**

Again thank you for your attention and consideration. I am available for your questions.



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KLBA –Kansas Licensed Beverage Assn. represents the interests of the men and women in the hospitality industry, who own, manage and work in Kansas bars, breweries, clubs, caterers, hotels, and restaurants. These are the places you frequent and enjoy with the tens of thousands of employees that are glad to serve you.

KVFWA – Kansas Viticulture and Farm Winery Assn: We began our Association in 2004 but our journey began decades ago. Our mission is the promotion of the production of wine from Kansas grapes, the science and practice of viticulture in the State of Kansas, and the development of Kansas Farm Wineries. We include farm wineries (such as Blue Jacket, Davenport, Holy-Field, Stone Pillar and White Tail Run) and numerous growers of fine grapes.

CBGK-Craft Brewers Guild of Kansas is the microbrewers and craft brewers of Kansas. We are a diverse group that embraces the age old art of brewing both commercial operations and the home hobby artist brewer.

ADK-Artisan Distillers of Kansas are Kansans inspired to hand craft distilled spirits for sale and sharing.



