

MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Nancey Harrington Upon 1<sup>st</sup> Adjournment on April 2, 2002 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present: Russell Mills, Legislative Research Department  
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department  
Theresa Kiernan, Office of the Revisor  
Nikki Kraus, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

John Davis, President, KABR  
Amy Campbell, Kansas Association of Beverage Retailers  
Dan Hermes, Alcohol Safety Action Project  
Neal Whitaker, Kansas Beer Wholesalers Association  
Theresa Walters, Executive Director, Emporians for Drug Awareness  
Michelle Voth, Executive Director, Kansas Family Partnership, Inc.  
Tuck Duncan, Kansas Wine and Spirits Wholesalers Association  
Phillip Bradley, Executive Director, KS Licensed Beverage Association

Others attending: Please see attached

Chairperson continued the hearing on:

**SB 636—Alcoholic beverages; one-strength beer**

John Davis, President, KABR, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 1)

Senator Vrail asked Mr. Davis about a statement in the latter's testimony stating that Alcoholic Beverage Control did not keep track of the number of cereal malt beverage licenses which had been issues in the state of Kansas, or to whom they were issued..

Bob Longino, Director, ABC, stated that Mr. Davis was not entirely correct. He stated that there was a file of the licenses, they have just not been organized.

Amy Campbell, Kansas Association of Beverage Retailers, presented written testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 2)

Dan Hermes, Alcohol Safety Action Project, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 3)

Neal Whitaker, Kansas Beer Wholesalers Association, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 4)

Theresa Walters, Executive Director, Emporians for Drug Awareness, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 5)

Michelle Voth, Executive Director, Kansas Family Partnership, Inc., presented written testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 6)

Tuck Duncan, Kansas Wine and Spirits Wholesalers Association, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 7) Mr. Duncan also submitted a chart in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 8)

Ms. Campbell presented testimony in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 9) Ms. Campbell also presented written testimony from Jim Scott, past President of KABR, in opposition to the bill. (Attachment 10)

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MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE at on April 2, 2002 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

Phillip Bradley, Executive Director, KS Licensed Beverage Association, presented testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 11](#))

In response to a question from Senator Gooch, Mr. Duncan stated that there are two reasons to have dry counties: no alcohol sales, or no liquor by the drink. He stated that in those counties which ruled not to have liquor by the drink, they did so knowing that they could still have 3.2 beer in taverns and Pizza Huts.

John Davis, President of the Kansas Association of Beverage Retailers, submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 12](#))

Ray Morgan, Undersheriff, Lakin, Kansas, submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 13](#))

Dave Dvorak, Flinthills Wine and Spirits, submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 14](#))

Marge Roberson, Roberson's Retail Liquor Store, submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 15](#))

Gary Winget, President, Kansans for Addiction Prevention, submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill. ([Attachment 16](#))

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on April 8, 2002 in Room 245-N.