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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Senator Jacob LaTurner, Chairman, Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

**FROM:** Debbi Beavers, Director, Alcoholic Beverage Control Division

**DATE:** 20 February 2017

**SUBJECT:** Neutral Testimony on Senate Bill 164

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Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. ABC is neutral on this bill.

ABC has some concerns on this bill as written. If a violation of liquor laws is discovered in the designated area, who is the responsible party? Would a violation of liquor laws be applied to all of the licensees within the designated area?

As a potential solution to these issues, ABC has conducted some research of similar areas in other states. These states require a permit to be issued for the designated area so there is a responsible party.

ABC would also request a provision requiring a city to notify ABC when an ordinance is passed in accordance with New Section 1(a) of the bill. If the bill is amended to require a permit for a designated area, a copy of the city ordinance could be submitted with the permit application.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.