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Representative Steven Johnson
Chair, House Taxation Committee

Representative Johnson and Members of the Committee:

The Overland Park Chamber of Commerce supports legislation requiring out-of-state internet retailers to collect and remit sales tax on sales to Kansas residents. Brick-and-mortar stores have been the cornerstone of our communities for many years and the exponential increase in online sales has challenged these retailers, and our communities, in numerous ways. It is imperative that we provide a level playing field for our local retailers who have invested heavily in our communities.

The U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in the South Dakota v. Wayfair validated South Dakota's approach and established a mechanism for applying an equitable tax on out-of-state, online retailers. We support HB 2352 for this reason and urge your committee to act favorably on the bill.

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