



March 18, 2022

Memorandum:

To: House Federal and State Affairs Committee
From: Becky Schwartz, Executive Director Fuel True
Re: Support of HB 2740

Chairman Barker and Members of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee:

My name is Becky Schwartz. I am the Executive Director of Fuel True, Independent Energy and Convenience, formally known as the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association of Kansas (PMCA of Kansas), a statewide trade association representing over 250 independent Kansas Energy distribution companies and convenience store retailers throughout Kansas.

Chairman and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony supporting HB 2740. Kansas convenience store retailers are the backbones for games hosted by the Kansas Lottery. They have a financial track record with the Kansas Lottery and have sufficient resources to support the activities required to conduct sports wagering.

As an approved Kansas Lottery vendor, we appreciate being included in HB 2740. Given our long-standing history with the Kansas Lottery, it makes sense to have the ability to participate should the retailer choose. Sports wagering is just one more way to bring customers into our stores to increase revenue, not only for us but for the state of Kansas. It also allows those Kansans in rural areas to participate. Our stores are looking for ways to expand their business, and allowing us to have sports wagering helps us do just that.

Again, we appreciate being included in HB 2740. We ask for your support in passing this bill.

Thank you.