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The Honorable Janice Pauls, Chairperson House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 285-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Pauls:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2467 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2467 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2467 would define hard cider as an alcoholic beverage that contains less than 8.5 percent alcohol by volume, has a carbonation level that does not exceed 6.4 grams per liter, and is obtained by the normal alcoholic fermentation of apple or pear juice. Sugar may be added to correct natural deficiencies. The bill would allow a microbrewery to manufacture and store up to 100,000 gallons of hard cider during a calendar year. The bill would authorize the sale of hard cider under the Kansas Liquor Control Act.

The Department of Revenue estimates that HB 2467 has the potential to increase liquor enforcement and liquor excise tax receipts if a microbrewery chose to manufacture hard cider; however, the increase in revenues would be negligible.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

Director of the Budget