

February 21, 2014

The Honorable Marvin Kleebl, Chairperson
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
Statehouse, Room 286-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Kleebl:

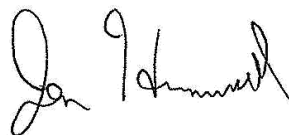
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2598 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2598 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, a microbrewery is limited to manufacturing 100 to 15,000 barrels of domestic beer in a license year. HB 2598 would remove this limit. In addition, current law allows a liquor retailer to purchase only from a licensed distributor or confiscated liquor at a sheriff's sale. HB 2598 would allow liquor retailers to also purchase from a farm winery or microbrewery.

The Department of Revenue indicates that HB 2598 could increase liquor tax receipts if a microbrewery brewed more beer and that additional gallonage was sold in Kansas.

Sincerely,



Jon Hummell,
Interim Director of the Budget

cc: Steve Neske, Department of Revenue