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## House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee February 16, 2023 Testimony for HB 2387

Chairman Tarwater and members for the House Commerce Committee

My name is Mike Hutfles and I'm here today in support of HB 2387 and would ask for your consideration to amend the definition of *major amusement park*.

There is an international entertainment company that has expressed interest in developing an amusement park in Kansas. The amusement park would be designed to operate year. Kansas weather will require that the rides, restaurants and associated businesses would be primarily located indoors. The desire to operate 12 months of the year necessitates an amendment to the major amusement park definition.

The language is straightforward. On page 5, line 12, insert after "KSA 44-1601" – , and buildings in a Major Amusement Park Area STAR Bond District,

I'm happy to work with the Revisors to prepare a proper balloon amendment before you work the this bill.

Thank you for your consideration and I will attempt to answer questions at the appropriate time.

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