

February 29, 2012

"Testimony by Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau as Proponent for HB 2689. March 5th, 2012."

Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau 2011 East Logan
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Dear Chairman Brunk and members of the Federal and State Affairs Committee:

The Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau helps play a significant role in the overall economic health of our community and engages in the promotion, solicitation, encouragement and development of tourism related products and businesses. The dinner train needs a liquor license to operate successfully in Franklin/Douglas Counties and would help provide us with more product in which to help sell our area to tourists. This would be a wonderful asset to include in our package deals for many years to come. The Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau fully supports HB 2689 which would provide a liquor license to dinner trains and railcars. We are excited about the possibility of having a dinner train operating within Franklin and Douglas County, Kansas and would like to encourage you to support the passage of HB 2689.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you and your team during this process, and again, thank you for your consideration of HB 2689.

Sincerely,

Kristi K. Lee President/CEO

House Federal & State Affairs

Date: 3-05-12-

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