January 24, 2012

The Honorable Pete Brungardt, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Brungardt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 269 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 269 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 269 would allow any person or entity who is licensed to sell alcoholic liquor in the original package at retail or the holder of a supplier’s permit to conduct wine, malt beverage, or distilled spirit tastings on the licensed premises. The bill would limit the portions for tasting to one-half ounce for distilled spirits, one ounce for wine, and two ounces for beer and malt beverages. The bill would prohibit any charge made for sample servings and would allow more than one sample to be served to one person. The bill would also prohibit any samples from being removed from the licensed premises. Finally, the bill would exempt the providing of samples to consumers from the requirement of holding a food service dealer license from the Department of Agriculture.

The Department of Revenue and the Department of Agriculture both indicate that enactment of SB 269 would have no fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc:  Steve Neske, Revenue
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