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TO: Sen. Caryn Tyson, Chair

Members, Senate Taxation Committee

FROM: Ashley Sherard, Vice-President

Lenexa Chamber of Commerce

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RE: Written-Only Support for HB 2162 – Sales Tax Reporting Threshold Increases

The Lenexa Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to share its support for HB 2162, which increases the thresholds governing when and how retailers are required to report and remit sales tax. As amended, starting January 1, 2018, the bill would increase the threshold amounts from \$80 to \$400 for annual filing, from \$3,200 to \$4,000 for quarterly filings, and from \$32,000 to \$40,000 for monthly filings (which are estimated and prepaid.)

Retailers are charged with collecting and remitting sales tax revenues, incurring administrative time and expense on behalf of state and local governments — burdens that hit smaller businesses particularly hard. HB 2162 proposes what we feel are very modest increases to thresholds that have not been raised in many years, yet ones that can substantially impact a business's reporting and remittance requirements.

We believe these reasonable threshold increases would mitigate the burden for an additional number of smaller businesses and would also send a welcome message to affected retailers that the legislature recognizes the burden it has imposed on them.

For these reasons, we would encourage you to support HB 2162 and appreciate your consideration of our input.