MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Jacob LaTurner, Chairman, Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

FROM: Debbi Beavers, Director, Alcoholic Beverage Control Division

DATE: 20 February 2017

SUBJECT: Neutral Testimony on Senate Bill 164

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. ABC is neutral on this bill.

ABC has some concerns on this bill as written. If a violation of liquor laws is discovered in the designated area, who is the responsible party? Would a violation of liquor laws be applied to all of the licensees within the designated area?

As a potential solution to these issues, ABC has conducted some research of similar areas in other states. These states require a permit to be issued for the designated area so there is a responsible party.

ABC would also request a provision requiring a city to notify ABC when an ordinance is passed in accordance with New Section 1(a) of the bill. If the bill is amended to require a permit for a designated area, a copy of the city ordinance could be submitted with the permit application.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.