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**Neutral Testimony for HB 2437
to the House Committee on Agriculture
by Kelsey Olson, Deputy Secretary
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Good afternoon Chairman Highland and members of the committee. I am Kelsey Olson and I serve as the Deputy Secretary for the Kansas Department of Agriculture. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding House Bill 2437.

KDA has reviewed the proposed legislation and was consulted by the Kansas Livestock Association throughout the draft process. KDA believes that this bill will have a minimal impact on the agency.

Any action or enforcement required by HB 2437 will be conducted by the Food Safety and Lodging Program within KDA as the program tasked with enforcing the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. This act requires the routine inspection of restaurant and grocery facilities and requires the proper labeling of food products. KDA expects that it can continue current operations and add this label verification into the existing inspection process without adding a significant burden to the activities of our inspectors.

In summary, we believe the overall result of this bill will have minimal impact to KDA. Thank you for your consideration. I will stand for questions at the appropriate time.