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**Assembly Bill 752: Applications for Alcohol Beverage Licenses and Permits and for Cigarette and Tobacco Products Retailer Licenses, Appointment of Corporate Agents of Alcohol Beverage Licensees and Permittees, and Providing a Penalty  
Testimony of State Representative Joan Ballweg  
Assembly Committee on Local Government  
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Thank you, Chair Brooks, and members of the Committee on Local Government for holding this public hearing on AB 752.

AB 752 simplifies the application process for an alcohol beverage license and permit, and a cigarette and tobacco products retailer license by removing the requirement that two corporate officers sign the application and that it be notarized. Instead, under AB 752, one officer must sign the application and if they knowingly provide false information they are subject to a forfeiture of up to \$1000. Removing the need for two signatures that must be sworn by a notary will simplify a process for business that is needlessly complicated.

Kwik Trip registered in support of this bill, because for companies, like Kwik Trip, that are opening multiple locations in different counties and municipalities, it is often difficult to get two corporate officers in the same place with a notary to fill out the application. AB 752 will still ensure the applicant is truthful by subjecting them to a penalty if they knowingly provide false information, similar to a penalty for supplying false information when applying for a driver license.

Kwik Trip Inc. and the Wisconsin Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Association registered in support of AB 752

Thank you for your consideration of AB 752, and I am happy to answer any questions.