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Secretary Brownlee Statement on American Airlines Restructuring

TOPEKA, KS — “Kansas has a rich history in the aviation industry. Just as our state looks to grow a more robust workforce in the Air Capital of the World, so too, can we applaud American Airlines in its efforts to increase travel and commerce options in Kansas, as they solidify plans to emerge as a stronger company. Unfortunately, we have read about the rumors of hostile takeovers, mergers, and consolidation involving American Airlines. We urge American Airlines not to be delayed, diverted or distracted by unsustainable proposals. Both management and union leadership should focus on the tough, but necessary decisions that are essential for American Airlines to restructure itself and quickly exit bankruptcy.”

—Statement of Karin Brownlee, Secretary of Labor, State of Kansas.