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Written Testimony to House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care
Honorable Chair, Representative Susan Concannon
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Proponent of [HB 2407](#) – Kansas Communities that Care Survey
Hearing: Monday, February 20, 2023, 1:30 PM Room 152-S

Madame Chair Concannon and Committee Members,

Kansas PTA encourages members of the Child Welfare and Foster Care Committee to support HB 2407 to create conditions for the administration of certain tests, questionnaires, surveys and examinations and eliminating the parental consent requirements.

Youth are experiencing and expressing unprecedented levels of stress. Kansas PTA supports measures to promote the health and wellbeing of students and school staff is in alignment with the [Kansas PTA legislative priorities and standing positions](#). Further, we encourage data-informed practices that facilitate the creation and maintenance of welcoming school climates, that allow students and staff to feel a sense of belonging and safety.

Kansas PTA urges this committee to support HB 2407. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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