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SB315 - Proponent In Person Testimony in Support of SB 315

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Chairman Gossage and Committee Members: I am Phillis Setchell. I live in Topeka.

I support SB 315 as it supports my Constitutional right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as for all citizens, which includes the right to medical freedom to determine what does or does not go into our bodies and our children's bodies.

There are many actions that government agencies at the federal, state and local levels that have engaged in, that are outside of their right and duties to do so. A study of those founding documents, the Declaration and Constitution, by all lawmakers and government agency heads would preclude, prevent them from making mandatory rules that infringe on citizens and business owners. The enumerated duties listed in the US Constitution for the Federal government are few and defined. None of these mandates are included. Many of the agencies are not included.

Government agencies may advise but we must be allowed to agree only if we determine it is in our best interest. The Declaration of Independence declares our rights that come from our Creator, not government and the US Constitution is written to protect those rights for everyone.

SB 315 does not prevent anyone who wants to take the advice.

Every elected official before taking their office, each swore an oath, before God, to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and their state constitution from enemies foreign and domestic.

Constitutionally, the Biden Administration is to oversee the running of the Executive Branch. It has no constitutional authority to mandate to businesses or individuals. And neither does the WHO.

The job of our elected Kansas Representatives and Senators is to protect the citizens of this state from domestic lawless mandates. The Biden Administration aggressively and unlawfully used the agencies of the Federal government, like OSHA, to push mandates on businesses with fines if they didn't comply or monetary incentives to obey.

To secure our **Unalienable Rights**, governments are instituted among Men, **deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed**..." Government's power comes from the <u>consent of the governed</u>. If we do not consent **to unlawful, mandatory decrees from the Federal Government or local unelected health officers,** we have the freedom to decline their suggestions.

You, **having taken your oath** of office **for this very purpose**, now have the duty and the honor to protect us, the governed, from unwanted violation of our rights to life and liberty. Anyone who wants to voluntarily allow the injections is not prohibited; but no one should be forced, coerced or punished for not consenting.

Our Constitution is enforced by you, our representatives by following through to uphold your oath, thereby protecting our God-given rights to our lives, and liberty. Please pass SB 315. We have waited since the 2021 Special Session.

I also attached my 2021 testimony from the 2021 Special Session asking for the legislators to stop the mandates and protect our God - given liberties. We who testified have waited since 2021 and we were told at that time our liberty would be addressed. Now is the time to pass the several bills that protect citizens as we asked.

Thank you.

In Person Testimony to STOP Government Overreach COVID-19 Mandates

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Chairman Erickson and Committee Members:

I am against government mandates of COVID-19 vaccines.

The Federal Government has only the constitutional responsibilities it was given by the US Constitution. Each of the three branches has ignored the boundaries given to them. We the people are not going to ignore the overreaching any longer. We should have pushed back sooner but we are now.

Every elected official from precinct committeemen and school board to President of the United States before taking their office, each swore an oath, before God, to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and their state constitution from enemies foreign and domestic.

Constitutionally, the Biden Administration is to oversee the running of the Executive Branch. It has no constitutional authority to mandate to businesses or individuals even if it was something good. But this administration with its many violations of law, is violating all 10 of the Nuremberg Codes from the atrocities of Hitler's Germany by forcing unwanted injections on citizens and their children. This is a lawless administration and the job of our elected Kansas Representatives and Senators is to protect the citizens of this state from domestic lawless enemies. The Biden Administration is aggressively and unlawfully using the agencies of the Federal government, like OSHA, to push mandates on businesses with fines if they don't comply or monetary incentives to obey.

Extortion, coercion, and bullying by the Federal government are signs of how far the socialists have pushed us toward communism. That's not America.

The reason the United States of America has been different from other nations is that we are founded on the Judeo-Christian ethics that each person has rights that are God-given, not from government. The Declaration of Independence spelled it out.

Excerpts: "...We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are <u>created</u> equal, that they are <u>endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights</u>, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, **deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed**..."

Government derives its power from the <u>consent of the governed</u>. We do not consent. I do not consent to these unlawful, harmful, mandatory edicts from dictators from the Federal Government.

It must stop at the Kansas border. You, our representatives, <u>having taken your oath for this very purpose</u>, now have the duty and the honor to protect us, the governed, from unwanted violation of our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Anyone who wants to voluntarily allow the injection is not prohibited; but no one should be forced, coerced or punished for not consenting to it.

Our Constitution does not enforce itself. It is enforced by you, our representatives by following through to uphold your oath, thereby protecting our God-given rights to our lives, our liberty and our pursuits of happiness. Thank you for your time.