

March 18th, 2021

Dear Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Members,

Please receive this as written testimony to support SB 212.

Contrary to Kelly Sommers, State Director of Kansas State Nursing Association, ONLY parents should be making the medical choices for their children. Kelly Sommers in an email stated “this sole purpose of SB 212 is to allow parents/guardians the choice of whether to vaccinate.” Actually parents do not want to add anymore vaccines to the already heavy vaccine schedule. Giving my child the Flu, HPV or Covid 19 vaccine is MY decision and not that of the state. These are not life threatening diseases and in the case of HPV can be prevented with proper protection.

An UNELECTED state official shall not have authority over a parental rights. This idea that KDHE has such authority is purely unconstitutional. No governmental agency can override a parents authority and decision especially when the governments overreach causes more harm to the child.

Thank you for allowing me to provide my written testimony in support of SB 212.

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