November 10, 2021

Chairman Renee Erickson Government Overreach and COVID-19 Mandates Kansas State Capitol 10th and Jackson, Room 546S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Re: Proponent Oral and Written Testimony in Support of Bill Draft 22RS2356

Dear Senator Erickson and Committee:

My name is Debbie Mize. I am Vice President and one of the founders of Kansans for Health Freedom.

At the hearings held on October 29 and 30, this committee heard from hundreds of Kansans who informed you that employees were being forced to terminate from their employment over their refusal to take a COVID-19 vaccine. And, now because of our outcry you offer this "squishy" first step to protect them. Do you really believe this will offer protection for Kansan workers? This bill **does not provide** for the **protections** that employees, students and medical workers need at this time.

This bill **needs editing** to reflect protection from any and all medical mandates requiring medical intervention. I could cite many examples why this governing body needs to **stand up to protect the citizens of this state** but since you have received hundreds of testimonies from people on this topic, I will keep this testimony short. I want to make it clear that Kansans want language that will protect their right to keep medical circumstances private and the right to refuse any medical procedure.

No business should have the right to deny anyone's medical decisions or violate their right to individual body autonomy.

Do your job! Protect all Kansans' and their right to liberty and the pursuit of happiness for themselves and their families by strengthening Bill Draft 22RS2356 to protect employees.

Respectfully, Debbie Mize Vice President/Lobbyist Kansans for Health Freedom Louisburg, Kansas 66053