



WRITTEN TESTIMONY
Health Care Oversight Committee
Health Care Stabilization Fund
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My name is Bob Williams, Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Osteopathic Medicine (KAOM).

KAOM supported both HB 2516 and SB 311 during the 2014 Legislative Sessions. KAOM believed increasing the cap on personal injury action from the current \$250,000.00 to \$350,000.00 over an eight year period was a reasonable response to the ruling from the Kansas Supreme Court. KAOM has received no negative comments or concerns from osteopathic physicians regarding this legislation.

Of particular note is the improved tail coverage for retired physicians. This change has taken some of the "worry" about retirement from physicians who no longer want to practice full time, but do want to see patients on a "part-time" basis.

Thank you.