

Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas

Testimony on Senate Bill 195

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To: Senate Committee on Commerce

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Chairman Lynn and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce I want to thank you for your willingness to allow me to provide testimony on behalf of the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas (CPRFK) on Senate Bill 195.

The Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation supports the philosophy of Employment First.

We would like to thank the commission for their efforts to date on moving this initiative forward.

We feel that is extremely important for the commission, the disability providers and state agencies to all work collaboratively towards the competitive and integrated employment goal that is sought.

We as an organization do not pretend to have the solution for the perfect strategy to allow this to happen but hope that all concerned will strive in this direction.

Thank you again, Chairman Lynn and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce for allowing me to provide testimony on Senate Bill 195.