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Every year, federal government bureaucracy gets bigger and bigger. Federal agencies have taken it upon themselves to start writing and passing their own regulations, without any approval or say from Congress. If states fail to comply with any agency mandate, they are punished. It is time that this overreach of authority is ended.

The states created the federal government and its ultimate power lies therein. No longer should states be bullied by the federal government they created. As a sovereign state, we have the power to pass laws that strengthen Kansas against the federal government. HCR 5023 is the start of this endeavor.

We have to start figuring out ways to keep mandates from destroying our constituents' lives and businesses. Can we continue to keep taking money from the federal government, even though they are 19 trillion in debt? Is there a way that we can help ourselves by cutting some of the strings attached to the federal money? We need to strengthen the state and remind the federal government that we will not submit to mandates by unelected bureaucratic agencies.

Please join me in supporting HCR 5023.

Sincerely,

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