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Testimony given by:
Haely Ordoyne, Chairwoman
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Representative Patton and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to share the experiences of adult care executives working in the senior living sector.

The Kansas Adult Care Executives (KACE) is a non-partisan, non-profit professional association serving nursing home administrators and assisted living operators in Kansas. Our membership includes 300 individual administrators and operators from both the nonprofit and for-profit adult care sectors. Our association brings the unique perspective of not only the profession of healthcare, but of those professionals living it every day of their lives.

We are here today to advocate in favor of HB 2652. We know that many Kansas legislators have supported providing adult care homes with immunity from civil liability, and we are thankful for your previous and future support. We greatly appreciate your recognition of this important matter.

Passage of this bill would continue to provide the necessary support and adaptations needed to continue providing excellent care in the state of Kansas during this pandemic. We continue to need civil liability protection related to COVID-19 as we make the transition from pandemic to endemic.

We thank you all for your efforts regarding this bill. We pray for its passing to protect those on the front lines and are happy to collaborate and be of any assistance in this process. The future of senior living healthcare could be highly compromised without the extension and passages of this protection.