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Chairman Richard Hilderbrand Senate Health and Welfare Committee Kansas State Capitol 10th and Jackson, Room 546S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Re: SB 212 Written Testimony

Dear Chairman Hilderbrand:

Please support SB212.

Even before the pandemic of 2020, the KDHE and more importantly, Dr. Norman, an unelected official with no accountability, was proven to fall short of credibility when in 2019 he mandated two additional vaccines to the childhood schedule in 2019 without following the required procedure such as first not notifying the public hearing with the required 60 day notice. Now in 2020 and 2021, he has continued to expose his lack of competency to handle not only a pandemic but our health and welfare department. Further, Dr. Norman was exposed on national media that his handling of this pandemic with misleading facts.

The intent of SB212 is simple: prevent the KDHE from, on its own, mandating additional vaccines for Kansas Children. NONE OF THE 72 VACCINES WILL BE REMOVED from the current schedule and going forward the addition of more vaccines would have to undergo the scrutiny of elected Kansas officials who would represent the will of the people.

As a Kansas citizen I believe the number of vaccines currently mandated is too many given that, to date, NO SAFETY OR EFFICACY STUDY HAS BEEN DONE TO DETERMINE HOW MANY VACCINES CAN BE SAFELY ADMINISTERED BEFORE THE HUMAN IMMUNE SYSTEMS OVERSTIMULATE THEREBY CAUSING AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE.

It is my opinion that today's healthcare decisions have become too politicized. The KDHE has become a state agency for pharmaceutical companies rather than the department it once was whose focus was to promote health.

There is no one size fits all for my health and no political appointee should have the power to make my health decisions.

Respectfully,
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