

March 17, 2021

Chairman Hilderbrand and Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Members,

**Please support SB 212.**

During the last year due to the Coronavirus-19 pandemic I have gotten a glimpse of what KDHE can do and it scares me. I do not want KDHE's Secretary of Health to be the only person able to add vaccines to the required vaccine schedule. Currently, with the stroke of a pen, **KDHE's Secretary of Health can add any vaccine to the schedule without a vote or legislative review.**

**Where are the checks and balances?** Especially when this person is unelected and does not speak for all the parents in Kansas. As a parent in Kansas, I have vaccine conversations with my children's pediatrician and together we decide what vaccines my child should or shouldn't have. **An informed choice, not a forced choice.**

Thank you,  
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