

**SENATE BILL No. 283**

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning the COVID-19 response and reopening for business  
2 liability protection act; ~~modifying~~ **extending** immunity for certain  
3 persons conducting business in this state for COVID-19 claims  
4 ~~accruing on or after March 12, 2020, and prior to termination of the~~  
5 ~~state of disaster emergency related to the COVID-19 public health~~  
6 ~~emergency~~ **until March 31, 2022**; amending K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-  
7 5504, as amended by section 10 of 2021 Senate Bill No. 14, ~~and 60-~~  
8 ~~5508 and repealing the existing sections~~ **section**.  
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10 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

11 Section 1. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-5504, as amended by section 10 of  
12 2021 Senate Bill No. 14, is hereby amended to read as follows: 60-5504.  
13 ~~(a)~~ **(a)** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person, or an agent  
14 of such person, conducting business in this state shall be immune from  
15 liability in a civil action for a COVID-19 claim if such person was acting  
16 pursuant to and in substantial compliance with public health directives  
17 applicable to the activity giving rise to the cause of action when the cause  
18 of action accrued.

19 ~~(b)~~ The provisions of this section shall expire on March 31, 2021.

20 **(b) The provisions of this section shall expire on March 31, 2022.**

21 ~~Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-5508 is hereby amended to read as~~  
22 ~~follows: 60-5508. (a) The provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-5504, 60-~~  
23 ~~5505 and 60-5507, and amendments thereto, shall apply retroactively to~~  
24 ~~any cause of action accruing on or after March 12, 2020.~~

25 ~~(b) The provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-5503, 60-5504 and 60-~~  
26 ~~5506, and amendments thereto, shall apply retroactively to any cause of~~  
27 ~~action accruing on or after March 12, 2020, and prior to termination of the~~  
28 ~~state of disaster emergency related to the COVID-19 public health~~  
29 ~~emergency declared pursuant to K.S.A. 48-924, and amendments thereto.~~

30 ~~Sec. 3. 2. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 60-5504, as amended by section 10 of~~  
31 ~~2021 Senate Bill No. 14, and 60-5508 are~~ **is** hereby repealed.

32 ~~Sec. 4. 3.~~ This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
33 publication in the Kansas register.