

March 18, 2023
Proponent SB 315
Oral Testimony - In Person

Dear Chairwomen Gossage and Committee Members:

Thank you for giving "We the People" the opportunity to speak with you today about the importance of SB315. Today I represent the rights of my own six (6) young grandchildren in Kansas and their parents to make the decisions they deem is best for them given all circumstances.

As I'm sure you have heard already many times today, we have "unfinished business" in Kansas and that is to extend the same provisions for medical freedom to not only the working adults of Kansas but also to all the children of our State and to put into statute what already our constitution gives us (if it would be abided by) and that is the right to make our own medical related decisions based upon our individual and unquestioned religious and deep personal beliefs.

The bill that was drafted and passed into law in special session in late 2021 was only to be the first step of what should have be accomplished in 2022 for all the citizens of Kansas regardless of age or occupation. As for me, the bill that was passed in late 2021 had a huge influence on my NJ based employer not to require me to take any undesired shots in order to maintain my employment which is based out of my home in Johnson County.

I ask you all, look at the number of people in this room who came today to voice our strong support of SB315! Please read all the written testimonies mailed to you. Listen to "We the People" not the opponents who are represented by lobbyists and special interest groups who stand to gain anything but medical freedom and the right to practice what we believe. You will hear from these groups shortly but I'll bet there is not one parent, not one teacher, not one hospital administrator, not one doctor who will be here representing just themselves. What should that say to you as our representatives?

May I also remind you Republicans of your party's platform where it is clearly stated: "Our healthcare decisions should be made by us and our doctors". This is a statement that both parties should agree upon 100% based largely on the freedoms which are given to each of us by God our Creator and reflected also in the US Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Nowhere has it ever stated that "we shouldn't adopt this legislation because it could cause us to lose our Federal funding!"

Please do the right thing and support SB315. And just to make it utterly clear, not one of us speaking today in support of SB315 will offer any support SB314 tomorrow which seeks to tightly limit our medical freedoms to only one declared type of shot.

Thank you for your time today.

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