

Sunday March 19, 2023

Senate Bill 315

Proponent, written testimony

Chairman Gossage and committee members:

We encourage you passing SB315. We believe our personal freedom as stated in SB315 is necessary for our own personal protection but for PARENTS who are responsible for their children's health and well-being. A personal testimony. Our youngest grandchild was born December 2019. Parents did not want her to receive all the numerous child vaccinations. But mom was told, "If you don't vaccinate your daughter you are a bad mom". Mom knew how bad her reactions were to vaccinations. But against their desires the 2 month old received vaccinations. They were divided into 2 doses and with the second one her entire body was swollen and red with a rash. No one had any rest for several days. At an appointment they were told that's a normal reaction. This grandma a nurse since 1967, "I have never seen anything like that". She's never had any more vaccinations and she has been free of ear infections, sore throats and at 3 ½ yrs only minor issues. Yes she's around other children many who have had vaccinations and all who have multiple trips to doctors due to sickness.

Second, during the Covid vaccination issues in past months, I have a niece also an RN was working an agency job in OKC. They said they took religious exemptions for working at their hospital. She sent her's numerous times. They kept saying they never received it. Finally, they let her go. Hospitals were desperate for help because they did not honor "personal freedom" regarding vaccinations.

Third, another family situation occurred with my daughter, her husband and 2 girls. Their jobs required getting the vaccination and boosters. The same for their teenage girls. We have seen them have numerous illnesses. We hear this same story being repeated for people who have been vaccinated. And especially if they had Covid and were vaccinated. My husband and I exercised our personal freedom and since our bout with Covid the fall of 2020 have never been sick. Not even a cold.

Our government even in Kansas has tried to take away our freedoms. Please pass SB315 out of committee to curtail government overreach.

Melvin and JuLee Adams  
Topeka, KS Senate District 20

03/19/2023

SB315

Proponent

Brett Anderson

Republican Precinct Committeeman

Sedgwick County

Chairman Gossage and Members of the senate Public Health & Welfare Committee,

I am submitting my testimony in strongly urging you to pass SB315 favorably out of committee. SB315 will help with many positive things in the fight against medical tyranny. It will bring continuity to the vaccine exemption language across the board for all ages and circumstances. It will also prevent force medical procedures against anyone's will, including our children. This bill corrects some of the ever increasing bureaucratic overreach. And finally, it confirms our freedom of religion and acknowledges our own God given free will. Again, I strongly urge the passage of SB315 favorably out of committee.

Respectfully,

Brett Anderson

Republican Precinct Committeeman

Sedgwick County

3/19/2023

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Proponent

Written Only

Linda Arensdorf

Chairman Gossage and Members of the Committee:

I write in support of SB 315, "Requiring child care facilities, elementary, secondary and postsecondary educational institutions and employers to grant exemptions from vaccine requirements without inquiring into the sincerity . . ."

The past three years opened my eyes to many things of which I was unaware; the readiness of various levels of government to take control of our day-to-day lives was the most startling. As an individual, wife, mother, and grandmother, I don't think any other person OR government can be as concerned about the health and safety of me and my family as I am. We have allowed our governing bodies to slowly take more and more control over our lives, but this process was on steroids due to the fear that was promoted by the media AND government. You can coerce people into doing many things they would not do under ordinary circumstances when they fear for the health and safety of their families. Now that we seem to be settling back into a more normal life, this government control must be curbed in any way possible using common sense actions.

The other thing I became more aware of is the questionable safety of all vaccines. In the past, I ignored warnings of people who claimed vaccines were not only unnecessary, but even harmful in many cases. I know the mothers of children who were seriously handicapped after receiving vaccines. One has received a settlement from the pharmaceutical company. If parents determine they want to have their children immunized, they should make those decisions for themselves.

If SB 315 allows parents to have their children immunized of their own free will, it should be passed. It seems like common sense.

Thank you for your consideration.

March 19, 2023

Bill Number SB315

Position: Proponent

Testimony Type: Written Only

Chairman and Members of the Committee:

As a living man and vaccine-injured individual, I support SB315. I lost three jobs because I was not allowed to make my own medical decisions, and my religious liberty was called into question. No one should ever have to choose between covering their face/injecting themselves with a drug they don't agree with and paying their bills. You should also be allowed to exercise your right to informed consent, and consent under duress is not true consent at all.

Thanks,

Daniel Austin

Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

SB 315

Proponent Testimony

Date: 3/19/23

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Gossage and Members of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support SB 315.

My name is Pat Bates and I live in Lawrence. I am here to ask that the health freedom Bill SB315 be put forward for a vote and passed.

A vote NO on this bill is a vote against our freedom of choice and goes against the free will that God gave us.

Many of my Jewish ancestors had their free choice taken away from them during World War 2. I cannot stand silent. To do nothing is to give in to the perils of control. And to what end?

America is the land of the free and I am one of the brave who now stands before you to fight for ALL Kansans' God given rights.

This bill will protect children from the COVID vaccine,

This bill will prevent forced medical procedures against my will.

This bill will correct bureaucratic overreach seen in the COVID response.

Please do the right thing and pass this bill.

I would appreciate your support of SB315.

Sincerely,

Pat Bates

Senate District 2

March 17, 2023

Bill Number: **SB 315**

**Proponent**

**Written Only Testimony**

Cindy Bauer

Chair Gossage and Members of the Committee:

I am writing you today to ask you to support SB 315.

SB 315 supports the Republican platform—to empower citizens in making health care choices for themselves and their families.

SB 315 is not a partisan or anti-vax bill. Republicans and Democrats have families, and all should have the right to make personal health care choices for their families.

I am asking you to give EVERY parent the freedom to make individual health care decisions for their children.

**PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR OF SB 315.**

Thank you very much for your work as a Kansas legislator.

Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Chairwoman Beverly Gossage

My name is Charles Bible, I am asking that you pass SB315 to protect the health and rights of Kansans. The Covid vaccine is being forced upon children and adults alike despite it never completing animal trials or even moving out of emergency use authorizations. To date according to Vaers, which according to the Lazarus Report found less than 10% of all adverse reactions get reported, there have been 2,443,321 adverse reactions and 34,725 Covid vaccine related deaths.

Furthermore, even if the vaccine were safe or effective, it is not in the prevue of the government to question one's religious beliefs.

Charles Bible

627 W. 130<sup>th</sup> Ave. N., Conway Springs, Ks

Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Chairwoman Beverly Gossage

SB315

My name is Rebecca Bible, I am asking that you pass SB315 to protect my rights as a parent to make medical decisions for my children.

I am a mother of 2 boys. My top priority is to protect my children from as many dangers as possible, but this is becoming increasingly difficult. Medical decisions have always been made based on our physician's opinion and our children's needs. That is no longer always the case. Our government is forcing a vaccine that has not been fully tested, regardless of our personal beliefs or children's medical needs. "Because the government said so" is now a fairly common phrase.

The dangers, reported on VAERS and many studies, of this vaccine far outweigh any possible benefits. VAERS has 26,636 reported cases of myocarditis, 182 child deaths, 590 permanently disabled children, and 63,697 overall adverse reactions in children. My children are not the governments experiment.

The votes on this bill will clearly show if we the people are seen as true equals, with equal rights or as something to be controlled by a small group of people who believe they are superior to us.

Thank you for your time,

Rebecca Bible

627 W. 130<sup>th</sup> Ave. N., Conway Springs, Ks



March 19, 2023

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Proponent

Testimony: Written Only

Representing Self: Mary Blake

Chairman Gossage & Members of the Public Health and Welfare Committee:

This bill broadens choice for medical procedures. They should never be mandated. Medical procedures should always be "opt-in" with FULL informed consent.

This bill gives relief to parents who, because of vaccine mandates, agonize over college and daycare. Parents do not want to sacrifice their belief system for a mandate. Dissent should be honored as easily as consent.

This is not a partisan bill. While it supports the Republican Platform of Individual Choice, and all Republicans can unite around this bill, Democrats have families too. And if they are informed, they may desire choice and freedom in regard to medical procedures.

Most people will continue to vaccinate as they have in the past. Pharma and associated health agencies will not lose out with this bill – generally 90% of the population vaccinates.

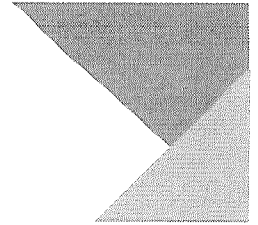
This is not an anti-vax bill. It will in no way prohibit any vaccine to be given to anyone who wants one.

Finally, there is no fiscal cost to this bill.

Please move this bill forward and insure choice for Kansans.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Blake, Olathe



March 21, 2023

Heather Braum, Health Policy Advisor  
Kansas Action for Children  
Written-only Testimony in opposition to SB 315  
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Chairperson Gossage and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to SB 315. Kansas Action for Children is a nonprofit advocacy organization working to make Kansas a place where every child has the opportunity to grow up healthy and thrive. We work across the political spectrum to improve the lives of Kansas children through bipartisan advocacy, partnership, and information-sharing on key issues, including early learning and education, health, and economic security for families.

SB 315 would make it much easier for anyone (adult or child) to receive an exemption from *any* vaccine requirement for basically any reason at work, child care, or K-12 schools and indicates that the beliefs are not to be questioned. SB 315 also removes the meningitis vaccine requirement for living in student housing at Kansas universities and colleges.

**SB 315 is an extremely dangerous bill that would irrevocably harm the health of Kansas kids and communities.** We have current vaccine requirements for a reason, and an already existing exemption process for childhood vaccines that works.

We honestly ask, why is SB 315 needed? What existing problem is it trying to address? We have public health-related requirements – like those associated with vaccines – for a reason. Infectious diseases do not care about people’s choices or beliefs. When these diseases spread, they put our most vulnerable – children too young to be vaccinated, those with medical conditions that prevent them from receiving certain vaccines, immunocompromised community members, and the elderly – at particular high risk for infection, hospitalization, life-long complications, and even death.

Businesses may require certain vaccines for workplace safety reasons or in a health care setting. Just one person opting out of a vaccine may jeopardize the entire workplace and the patients a health care worker cares for.

Vaccine requirements in child care centers keep parents at work and child care businesses open. Functional child care facilities and schools literally make Kansas work. And when vaccine-preventable disease outbreaks occur, they overwhelm our health systems and close businesses. Additionally, containing an outbreak after it has begun to spread in the community

costs millions of dollars.<sup>12</sup>

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, “when immunization rates are high, herd immunity develops and limits the spread of the disease, which helps protect those who cannot be vaccinated.”<sup>13</sup> Limiting disease is good for children, families, businesses, and the entire state. When even a few more people refuse to vaccinate their children, they put everyone in their community at risk of dangerous diseases. SB 315 would make it much easier for people to opt-out of vaccine requirements.

SB 315 would alter the current vaccine requirements and would jeopardize kids’ health. **We urge the Committee to keep Kansas kids and communities safe by opposing SB 315.**

Thank you for the opportunity to share our strong opposition to SB 315. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [heather@kac.org](mailto:heather@kac.org) if you have any questions.

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March 17, 2023  
Proponent SB 315  
Written Testimony Only

Dear Chairwoman Gossage and Committee Members:

I urge you to please **pass SB 315**. We need to protect our children. We gained bipartisan support in October 2021 during the special session where we protected workers from having their religious beliefs questioned, but now we need to make sure we uphold the religious exemptions for our kids. The CDC has added the Covid shot to the childhood vaccine schedule so by passing this bill, it will make sure our religious beliefs are upheld without inquiring into the sincerity of the request.

I have lived in Kansas my whole life and have 2 children. Both kids are in high school with one getting ready to go off to Emporia State this fall. I want to trust that we are not discriminated against because of our moral and ethical beliefs regarding vaccines. Please make sure we are protected so that we can also participate. All of our beliefs are different and no one person or committee can decide if it is right or wrong.

Sincerely,

Shelby Bretton  
Overland Park, KS 66221

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## March 19, 2023

Bill No. SB315  
Proponent  
Testimony: written  
Mrs. Kim Brumfield

Dear Chairman and members of the committee,

As a citizen of Kansas, I am asking for your support of Senate Bill 315. I never realized how important medical freedom was until Covid. My family suffered a job loss due to a vaccine mandate. Remember when our government, health officials, and media said, "You won't get Covid if you take this vaccine, and then you won't die from Covid if you take this vaccine?" Well, everyone I know who got vaccinated, got Covid, and the only person I know who died from Covid was vaccinated and boosted. All vaccines come with a risk, and where there is a risk, there must be a choice. Please pass SB315 in favor of bodily autonomy and medical freedom. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

Senate Public Health and Welfare  
SB 315  
Proponent Testimony  
March 21, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Gossage and Members of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support for SB 315.

No one should be forced to undergo any health procedure against their will – either by unlawful mandates or by any other method. SB 315 would provide a measure of protection.

Everyone should have the right to their religious beliefs without being questioned as to their sincerity. This is especially true of religious exemptions against forced vaccinations or any other forced medical procedure. There should be no questioning of a person's sincerity and there should be no rejection of their claimed religious belief.

Mandates outside of law are dictates – as are the decrees of a dictator. When they are outside of law, they are unconstitutional. We saw this repeatedly with the COVID scare with unlawful mandates to close businesses, schools, meetings, and even churches. Many businesses went out of business because of these unlawful mandates, and our children suffered greatly from being shut out of their schools.

SB 315 provides a measure of protection against unlawful mandates and should be passed.

I would appreciate your support for SB 315.

Sincerely,  
Glen Burdue  
Belle Plaine, KS  
Senate District 32.

Senate Public Health and Welfare)

SB 219

Proponent Testimony

Date: 3/19/23

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Gossage and Members of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support/opposition to SB 219.

My name is Linda Campbell and I am here to ask that the health freedom Bill SB315 be put forward for a vote. This is about my freedom and the freedom against forced medical procedures against my will. I have witnessed bureaucratic health officials overreach their positions to infringe on my God given rights. I want to speak for all Kansas children, to protect them from the COVID shot.

I am here because it is my responsibility to stand for the freedom God gave me and encourage my fellow Kansans to not live in fear.

I would appreciate your support of SB315.

Sincerely,

Linda Campbell

Senate District 2

Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

Proponent Testimony - Written

3/19/2023

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Gossage and Members of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee,

I have read SB 315 and agree with the language especially concerning vaccine exemptions. I believe it is every parents right to decide the best course of immunization (especially any Emergency use authorization "vaccine") for their family. I agree that a religious exemption should not be interrogated or questioned to be authorized. Please pass SB315. It is a good Health Freedom bill. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan Cary

Senate District 2, Lawrence, KS

Precinct 43 Chairwoman, Douglas County



March 17, 2023

Proponent Testimony

Written Only SB 315

Dear Chairman and Committee Members:

Please pass SB 315. We gained bipartisan support in October 2021 during the special session where we protected workers from having their religious beliefs, questioned. Let's work together again and not leave our children out. The CDC has added the Covid shot to the childhood vaccine schedule, so this is an extra layer of protection for our children. We parents need to have final say in what we choose for our children. Please extend this language down to our children so that they can have the same rights as their parents, and not run the risk of their religious beliefs being questioned!

Thank you,  
Jenny Cox

March 19, 2023

SB 315

Proponent

Written only

Jeffrey Davis - Self

Chairman Gossage and Members of the Committee,

I would like to express my support for SB 315. As a state employee whose job was on the line because of my desire to avoid the Covid vaccine, I had to fill out forms that unconstitutionally questioned the validity of my religious beliefs, the only objection allowed at the time. If the legislature had not stepped in and stopped the unconstitutional process that my state organization was imposing on its personnel I would certainly have had to find other employment.

It is time now, after the fog of the pandemic, to codify medical freedom for all Kansans for any medical procedure or treatment, not just those associated with Covid-19. Individual and families should have the right to refuse any medical procedure for religious or any other moral objection.

There should also be no limits on access to public services (education or other accommodation) because of one's refusal of a medical procedure. The reality is that most people will continue to follow the advice of their personal doctors and medical experts. After a full explanation of risks and benefits of said procedure, the choice to follow that advice should always be the right of the patient to accept or refuse.

Please, vote to pass this bill out of committee for a full senate vote. Thank you for your consideration.

Jeffrey Davis  
3004 Claflin Rd.  
Manhattan, KS 66503

2.26.2023

Health and Public Welfare

SB 315 Testimony in person

Chairwoman Gossage and Committee Members:

Thank you all for standing with the people in October 2021 during the Special Session. You saved what was left of our economy and the families could continue to work and provide for their families. These religious beliefs exemptions saved many Kansans.

We left our children behind and this needs to be corrected now. With the same language allowing parents to provide religious beliefs exemptions for their children. Family Values are important.

There is great fear in the fact the CDC has added Covid shots to the childhood vaccine schedule.

Please Pass out of committee SB 315 in its original state.

We cannot leave our children behind.

Thank you,

Debbie Detmer

[kcjewel56@gmail.com](mailto:kcjewel56@gmail.com)

March 17, 2023  
Proponent SB 315  
Written Testimony Only

Chairwoman Beverly Gossage Public Health & Welfare Committee Members Topeka, KS

Re: SB 315

Dear Chairwoman Beverly Gossage and Public Health & Welfare Committee Members,

In 2021, the Kansas legislature passed a bill to give ADULTS religious exemptions from vaccine mandates without being questioned on the sincerity of that belief. This protection, however, was not done for defenseless children. SB 315 will do just that.

I ask for your support in passing SB 315. The bill requires “child care facilities, elementary, secondary, postsecondary educational institutions and employers to grant exemptions from vaccine requirements without inquiring into the sincerity of the request.”

Please give our children the same rights as their parents, and not run the risk of their religious beliefs being questioned. In Kansas, we honor religious exemptions from vaccine mandates.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Tammy Dohr  
Stilwell, KS

SB 315

In support of this public health bill

Testimony of Emily G of Johnson County

Dear Chairman and Members of the Board,

The right to choose how we and our children are treated medically is a personal decision that should not be controlled by the government or businesses. The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act which was passed in 1986 ruled that as vaccines are “unavoidably unsafe” no childhood vaccine manufacturer can be held liable for medical injury or death. This is understandable in some ways, all medications have risks, of course, no other medication in my knowledge is mandated by an employer or school. Except for in extreme cases involving minors, a patient can always refuse a drug or treatment.

This freedom of choice is near and dear to me as a sufferer of a brain lesion that causes seizures. Brain lesions, a common result of encephalopathy, is an extremely common side effect to vaccines. This is why today I am dependent upon pharmaceuticals for my daily safety. Brain swelling is very common in those who have received vaccines, especially the MMR, and can go unnoticed until later damage is seen.

Like most parents, my parents loved me and wanted what was best and safest for my health, like most parents, my parents chose to vaccinate me on schedule with the CDC, like most parents, they did no research of their own and were told “the only side effect is redness and maybe a fever.” My parents, like the parents of millions, were lied to, by the doctors they trusted with my care. I had what we could only describe as “episodes” for years, some involving hospitalization, painful testing, and no answers. I was officially diagnosed with epilepsy and put on medication at 14.

Unfortunately, vaccines have real risks. I consider myself extremely lucky that I ONLY have epilepsy, that my health insurance covers the majority of my medication costs, and that so far I show no signs of liver or other organ damage due to such a high level of medication. I am able to drive as long as I stay seizure free and have a more or less normal life. Of course, epileptics have to be cautious when it comes to too much sensory input, such as light, or in my case smells. I have to always ensure I have medication on hand and can't go on vacation without a lot of medication prep-work.

I will never know what caused a reaction in me, as so many people who have received vaccines never have any noticeable reaction. Like Tylenol, a steroid, or chemotherapy, every adult, and parent should have the right to say “no.” Herd immunity continues to be a theory, it works great in cattle, but continues to be disproven again and again in humans. All major health organizations and the President of the United States have been quoted saying “the Covid vaccine does not stop transmission” or a similar phrase of the same concept. Please vote to protect medical freedom in Kansas, I speak from experience, there is nothing freeing about a vaccine injury.

Kindly,

Emily G of Johnson County, March 17, 2023

March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Senate Bill 315

Proponent

Chairwoman Gossage and Committee Members,

I am writing to you all to urge you to support and aid the passage of SB 315. I believe Kansans' health choices as they relate to our religion is no business of the state. Mandates do not belong in Kansas and freedom of religion should be respected.

Thank you

Seth Graber

3/18/23

**Bill #: SB 315**

**PROPONENT**

**Written Testimony Only**

Sheri Graham  
Moundridge, KS

Chairwoman Gossage and Committee Members,

**I am in FULL SUPPORT of SB 315!** This bill supports the Republican Party Platform of individual choice when it comes to health care. It is not an “anti-vax” bill at all, but simply gives people choice when it comes to medical procedures.

**NO medical procedure should EVER be mandated.** We have seen over the past 3 years what happens when mandates are implemented and people are forced to get a medical procedure they didn't want. I personally know someone who died as a result of the vaccine that they were mandated to get for work. **Where there is risk, there must be choice.** This bill will make sure that Kansans have that choice!

Please stand for Liberty and protect Kansans from medical mandates by supporting SB 315!

Sincerely,  
Sheri Graham  
Moundridge, KS

Honorable Beverly Gossage  
Chair, Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare  
Kansas Capitol, Room 142 South  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Re: Written Proponent testimony SB315

Dear Chairwoman Gossage and Committee:

Since the conception of the "Great Experiment", known as America, Freedom has been a beacon for the entire world that has inspired and given hope around the world over centuries to literally billions across the globe. Freedom comes in different forms and does include an individuals' choice in their healthcare directives.

Having an experimental substance given orally or injected into one's body, without their consent, is nothing less than tyranny and being in a totalitarian state of control. When any individual is required to have a medically altering procedure or medication placed within them in the most personal property they have, which is their own body, this is beyond the scope of a Republic form of governments purview.

No medical procedure, oral or injected substance should be mandated by "the state" to any individual. Rather it is our elected officials who are mandated to protect "We the People." When they are no longer willing to or are unable to do so it is time the constituents who have placed them in their positions replace them or the form of government with which they are governed by.

We resolutely ask you to support passage of SB315. Thank you!

Respectfully,  
Karlaline Graves, DO.  
Kansans for Health Freedom Volunteer



## WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Proponent of SB 315  
March 19, 2023

Madam Chair Gossage and Committee Members:

Please pass out of committee SB 315 in its original state. Please represent Kansans in their desire for choice and freedom regarding medical procedures. Please represent parents in Kansas and honor their rights regarding religious beliefs exemptions for their children; First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: ***“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.”*** --- Mandatory vaccination has no place in a free society. (Please do not leave our children behind!) **Non-derogable rights**, as stated in Article 58 of The Siracusa Principles on the Limitation and Derogation Provisions in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1958) ([pdf](#)), apply under all circumstances, even under threat of “national security”

Please safeguard basic human rights, constitutional rights and parental rights. Thank you for your help in protecting these.

Sincerely - Elizabeth Groff, Linwood, Kansas

“Science without conscience is the soul’s perdition” – Rabelais



March 17, 2023

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Written Only Testimony

Jessica Haden--Individual

Members of the Committee:

As a concerned citizen of the state of Kansas, I urge you to pass this bill. Kansans want this bill. This bill is not an anti-vaxx bill, but rather a pro-choice bill. It simply guarantees the right to medical choice. As a wife and mother, I want to be able to make educated decisions for my family without fear of push back.

Honestly, I'm saddened that a bill like this is even necessary. I can't recall any other time that I've felt as if my medical freedoms and those of my children were being threatened. The mandate madness has not served to improve individual or community health, but has surely increased anxiety and depression in parents and children alike.

This bill offers relief to parents who have agonized over daycare, school, or college for their children due to vaccine mandates. Parents should not be expected to sacrifice a belief system, whether it's religious or philosophical, for a mandate. Dissent should be just as widely accepted as consent, and consent should always be fully informed.

This bill has zero fiscal cost and will protect the rights of Kansans. I thank you for supporting this bill.

Sincerely,

Jessica Haden

March 17, 2023  
Proponent SB 315  
Written Testimony Only

Dear Kansas Legislators:

I urge you to pass Senate Bill 315. Thank you!

Cordially,  
Lloyd Hendrix  
Prairie Village, KS 66208

March 19, 2023

Re: SB 315

Proponent SB 315  
Written and in-person testimony

Honorable Chairwoman Gossage and Members of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee,  
SB315 as written has been a long time in coming. It is an excellent bill that underscores health freedoms and liberties established in both our US and Kansas Constitutions. You swore an oath to uphold these constitutions.

In 2022, my husband, along with many other folks, was questioned by a higher ranking employee to determine if my husband's religious belief's were really what he believed when he submitted a religious objection to his employers vaccine mandate. Since when does an employer have the right to decide if an employee's religious beliefs are "sincere"?

Vaccine mandates. There is nothing about a vaccine that guarantees someone would be better able to execute a job or task. NO vaccine is 100% safe or effective — not one. The choice to assume the risk of bodily harm or death, or not, should be up to the employee without coercion, threats, bribes or compensation or punitive action on the part of the employer.

Parents are to be the ultimately authority over the welfare of their children. No government one-size-fits-all policy should be enforced upon children of any age, including vaccines. No vaccine is safe for every child. And parents who choose to have their children vaccinated as well as those who don't should have the freedom to make those decisions. Parents who should be free to choose a provider who's care, values, and facility line up with what they believe is best for their family and children.

A friend of mine is getting ready to begin clinicals in the last leg of her nursing education. She is a smart, caring, conscientious nurse. She is currently faced with the decision to continue or to forfeit the last few years of nursing school because of vaccine mandates from various Kansas medical facilities where she is scheduled to do her clinicals. To continue would require vaccines that go against her religious beliefs... a compromise she is unwilling to make. Ironically, this same commitment and integrity are part of what would make her an excellent nurse... It is foolish to loose this kind of character and talent in the nursing field over something that in the end, doesn't have a guaranteed track record of safety and efficacy — vaccines.

I support SB315 as written and ask that you pass this bill that it may go forward for a full legislative vote.

Karen Hershey  
A resident of Kansas

**APPENDIX 1. LIST OF ADVERSE EVENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST**

1p36 deletion syndrome;2-Hydroxyglutaric aciduria;5'nucleotidase increased;Acoustic neuritis;Acquired C1 inhibitor deficiency;Acquired epidermolysis bullosa;Acquired epileptic aphasia;Acute cutaneous lupus erythematosus;Acute disseminated encephalomyelitis;Acute encephalitis with refractory, repetitive partial seizures;Acute febrile neutrophilic dermatosis;Acute flaccid myelitis;Acute haemorrhagic leukoencephalitis;Acute haemorrhagic oedema of infancy;Acute kidney injury;Acute macular outer retinopathy;Acute motor axonal neuropathy;Acute motor-sensory axonal neuropathy;Acute myocardial infarction;Acute respiratory distress syndrome;Acute respiratory failure;Addison's disease;Administration site thrombosis;Administration site vasculitis;Adrenal thrombosis;Adverse event following immunisation;Ageusia;Agranulocytosis;Air embolism;Alanine aminotransferase abnormal;Alanine aminotransferase increased;Alcoholic seizure;Allergic bronchopulmonary mycosis;Allergic oedema;Alloimmune hepatitis;Alopecia areata;Alpers disease;Alveolar proteinosis;Ammonia abnormal;Ammonia increased;Amniotic cavity infection;Amygdalohippocampectomy;Amyloid arthropathy;Amyloidosis;Amyloidosis senile;Anaphylactic reaction;Anaphylactic shock;Anaphylactic transfusion reaction;Anaphylactoid reaction;Anaphylactoid shock;Anaphylactoid syndrome of pregnancy;Angioedema;Angiopathic neuropathy;Ankylosing spondylitis;Anosmia;Antiacetylcholine receptor antibody positive;Anti-actin antibody positive;Anti-aquaporin-4 antibody positive;Anti-basal ganglia antibody positive;Anti-cyclic citrullinated peptide antibody positive;Anti-epithelial antibody positive;Anti-erythrocyte antibody positive;Anti-exosome complex antibody positive;Anti-GAD antibody negative;Anti-GAD antibody positive;Anti-ganglioside antibody positive;Antigliadin antibody positive;Anti-glomerular basement membrane antibody positive;Anti-glomerular basement membrane disease;Anti-glycyl-tRNA synthetase antibody positive;Anti-HLA antibody test positive;Anti-IA2 antibody positive;Anti-insulin antibody increased;Anti-insulin antibody positive;Anti-insulin receptor antibody increased;Anti-insulin receptor antibody positive;Anti-interferon antibody negative;Anti-interferon antibody positive;Anti-islet cell antibody positive;Antimitochondrial antibody positive;Anti-muscle specific kinase antibody positive;Anti-myelin-associated glycoprotein antibodies positive;Anti-myelin-associated glycoprotein associated polyneuropathy;Antimyocardial antibody positive;Anti-neuronal antibody positive;Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody increased;Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody positive;Anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibody positive vasculitis;Anti-NMDA antibody positive;Antinuclear antibody increased;Antinuclear antibody positive;Antiphospholipid antibodies positive;Antiphospholipid syndrome;Anti-platelet antibody positive;Anti-prothrombin antibody positive;Antiribosomal P antibody positive;Anti-RNA polymerase III antibody positive;Anti-saccharomyces cerevisiae antibody test positive;Anti-sperm antibody positive;Anti-SRP antibody positive;Antisynthetase syndrome;Anti-thyroid antibody positive;Anti-transglutaminase antibody increased;Anti-VGCC antibody positive;Anti-VGKC antibody positive;Anti-vimentin antibody positive;Antiviral prophylaxis;Antiviral treatment;Anti-zinc transporter 8 antibody positive;Aortic embolus;Aortic thrombosis;Aortitis;Aplasia pure red cell;Aplastic anaemia;Application site thrombosis;Application site vasculitis;Arrhythmia;Arterial bypass occlusion;Arterial bypass thrombosis;Arterial thrombosis;Arteriovenous fistula thrombosis;Arteriovenous graft site stenosis;Arteriovenous graft thrombosis;Arteritis;Arteritis

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coronary; Arthralgia; Arthritis; Arthritis enteropathic; Ascites; Aseptic cavernous sinus thrombosis; Aspartate aminotransferase abnormal; Aspartate aminotransferase increased; Aspartate-glutamate-transporter deficiency; AST to platelet ratio index increased; AST/ALT ratio abnormal; Asthma; Asymptomatic COVID-19; Ataxia; Atheroembolism; Atonic seizures; Atrial thrombosis; Atrophic thyroiditis; Atypical benign partial epilepsy; Atypical pneumonia; Aura; Autoantibody positive; Autoimmune anaemia; Autoimmune aplastic anaemia; Autoimmune arthritis; Autoimmune blistering disease; Autoimmune cholangitis; Autoimmune colitis; Autoimmune demyelinating disease; Autoimmune dermatitis; Autoimmune disorder; Autoimmune encephalopathy; Autoimmune endocrine disorder; Autoimmune enteropathy; Autoimmune eye disorder; Autoimmune haemolytic anaemia; Autoimmune heparin-induced thrombocytopenia; Autoimmune hepatitis; Autoimmune hyperlipidaemia; Autoimmune hypothyroidism; Autoimmune inner ear disease; Autoimmune lung disease; Autoimmune lymphoproliferative syndrome; Autoimmune myocarditis; Autoimmune myositis; Autoimmune nephritis; Autoimmune neuropathy; Autoimmune neutropenia; Autoimmune pancreatitis; Autoimmune pancytopenia; Autoimmune pericarditis; Autoimmune retinopathy; Autoimmune thyroid disorder; Autoimmune thyroiditis; Autoimmune uveitis; Autoinflammation with infantile enterocolitis; Autoinflammatory disease; Automatism epileptic; Autonomic nervous system imbalance; Autonomic seizure; Axial spondyloarthritis; Axillary vein thrombosis; Axonal and demyelinating polyneuropathy; Axonal neuropathy; Bacterascites; Baltic myoclonic epilepsy; Band sensation; Basedow's disease; Basilar artery thrombosis; Basophilopenia; B-cell aplasia; Behcet's syndrome; Benign ethnic neutropenia; Benign familial neonatal convulsions; Benign familial pemphigus; Benign rolandic epilepsy; Beta-2 glycoprotein antibody positive; Bickerstaff's encephalitis; Bile output abnormal; Bile output decreased; Biliary ascites; Bilirubin conjugated abnormal; Bilirubin conjugated increased; Bilirubin urine present; Biopsy liver abnormal; Biotinidase deficiency; Birdshot chorioretinopathy; Blood alkaline phosphatase abnormal; Blood alkaline phosphatase increased; Blood bilirubin abnormal; Blood bilirubin increased; Blood bilirubin unconjugated increased; Blood cholinesterase abnormal; Blood cholinesterase decreased; Blood pressure decreased; Blood pressure diastolic decreased; Blood pressure systolic decreased; Blue toe syndrome; Brachiocephalic vein thrombosis; Brain stem embolism; Brain stem thrombosis; Bromosulphthalein test abnormal; Bronchial oedema; Bronchitis; Bronchitis mycoplasmal; Bronchitis viral; Bronchopulmonary aspergillosis allergic; Bronchospasm; Budd-Chiari syndrome; Bulbar palsy; Butterfly rash; C1q nephropathy; Caesarean section; Calcium embolism; Capillaritis; Caplan's syndrome; Cardiac amyloidosis; Cardiac arrest; Cardiac failure; Cardiac failure acute; Cardiac sarcoidosis; Cardiac ventricular thrombosis; Cardiogenic shock; Cardiolipin antibody positive; Cardiopulmonary failure; Cardio-respiratory arrest; Cardio-respiratory distress; Cardiovascular insufficiency; Carotid arterial embolus; Carotid artery thrombosis; Cataplexy; Catheter site thrombosis; Catheter site vasculitis; Cavernous sinus thrombosis; CDKL5 deficiency disorder; CEC syndrome; Cement embolism; Central nervous system lupus; Central nervous system vasculitis; Cerebellar artery thrombosis; Cerebellar embolism; Cerebral amyloid angiopathy; Cerebral arteritis; Cerebral artery embolism; Cerebral artery thrombosis; Cerebral gas embolism; Cerebral microembolism; Cerebral septic infarct; Cerebral thrombosis; Cerebral venous sinus thrombosis; Cerebral venous thrombosis; Cerebrospinal thrombotic

tamponade;Cerebrovascular accident;Change in seizure presentation;Chest discomfort;Child-Pugh-Turcotte score abnormal;Child-Pugh-Turcotte score increased;Chillblains;Choking;Choking sensation;Cholangitis sclerosing;Chronic autoimmune glomerulonephritis;Chronic cutaneous lupus erythematosus;Chronic fatigue syndrome;Chronic gastritis;Chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyradiculoneuropathy;Chronic lymphocytic inflammation with pontine perivascular enhancement responsive to steroids;Chronic recurrent multifocal osteomyelitis;Chronic respiratory failure;Chronic spontaneous urticaria;Circulatory collapse;Circumoral oedema;Circumoral swelling;Clinically isolated syndrome;Clonic convulsion;Coeliac disease;Cogan's syndrome;Cold agglutinins positive;Cold type haemolytic anaemia;Colitis;Colitis erosive;Colitis herpes;Colitis microscopic;Colitis ulcerative;Collagen disorder;Collagen-vascular disease;Complement factor abnormal;Complement factor C1 decreased;Complement factor C2 decreased;Complement factor C3 decreased;Complement factor C4 decreased;Complement factor decreased;Computerised tomogram liver abnormal;Concentric sclerosis;Congenital anomaly;Congenital bilateral perisylvian syndrome;Congenital herpes simplex infection;Congenital myasthenic syndrome;Congenital varicella infection;Congestive hepatopathy;Convulsion in childhood;Convulsions local;Convulsive threshold lowered;Coombs positive haemolytic anaemia;Coronary artery disease;Coronary artery embolism;Coronary artery thrombosis;Coronary bypass thrombosis;Coronavirus infection;Coronavirus test;Coronavirus test negative;Coronavirus test positive;Corpus callosotomy;Cough;Cough variant asthma;COVID-19;COVID-19 immunisation;COVID-19 pneumonia;COVID-19 prophylaxis;COVID-19 treatment;Cranial nerve disorder;Cranial nerve palsies multiple;Cranial nerve paralysis;CREST syndrome;Crohn's disease;Cryofibrinogenaemia;Cryoglobulinaemia;CSF oligoclonal band present;CSWS syndrome;Cutaneous amyloidosis;Cutaneous lupus erythematosus;Cutaneous sarcoidosis;Cutaneous vasculitis;Cyanosis;Cyclic neutropenia;Cystitis interstitial;Cytokine release syndrome;Cytokine storm;De novo purine synthesis inhibitors associated acute inflammatory syndrome;Death neonatal;Deep vein thrombosis;Deep vein thrombosis postoperative;Deficiency of bile secretion;Deja vu;Demyelinating polyneuropathy;Demyelination;Dermatitis;Dermatitis bullous;Dermatitis herpetiformis;Dermatomyositis;Device embolisation;Device related thrombosis;Diabetes mellitus;Diabetic ketoacidosis;Diabetic mastopathy;Dialysis amyloidosis;Dialysis membrane reaction;Diastolic hypotension;Diffuse vasculitis;Digital pitting scar;Disseminated intravascular coagulation;Disseminated intravascular coagulation in newborn;Disseminated neonatal herpes simplex;Disseminated varicella;Disseminated varicella zoster vaccine virus infection;Disseminated varicella zoster virus infection;DNA antibody positive;Double cortex syndrome;Double stranded DNA antibody positive;Dreamy state;Dressler's syndrome;Drop attacks;Drug withdrawal convulsions;Dyspnoea;Early infantile epileptic encephalopathy with burst-suppression;Eclampsia;Eczema herpeticum;Embolia cutis medicamentosa;Embolic cerebellar infarction;Embolic cerebral infarction;Embolic pneumonia;Embolic stroke;Embolism;Embolism arterial;Embolism venous;Encephalitis;Encephalitis allergic;Encephalitis autoimmune;Encephalitis brain stem;Encephalitis haemorrhagic;Encephalitis periaxialis diffusa;Encephalitis post immunisation;Encephalomyelitis;Encephalopathy;Endocrine disorder;Endocrine ophthalmopathy;Endotracheal intubation;Enteritis;Enteritis leukopenic;Enterobacter pneumonia;Enterocolitis;Enteropathic spondylitis;Eosinopenia;Eosinophilic

fasciitis;Eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis;Eosinophilic oesophagitis;Epidermolysis;Epilepsy;Epilepsy surgery;Epilepsy with myoclonic-atonic seizures;Epileptic aura;Epileptic psychosis;Erythema;Erythema induratum;Erythema multiforme;Erythema nodosum;Evans syndrome;Exanthema subitum;Expanded disability status scale score decreased;Expanded disability status scale score increased;Exposure to communicable disease;Exposure to SARS-CoV-2;Eye oedema;Eye pruritus;Eye swelling;Eyelid oedema;Face oedema;Facial paralysis;Facial paresis;Faciobrachial dystonic seizure;Fat embolism;Febrile convulsion;Febrile infection-related epilepsy syndrome;Febrile neutropenia;Felty's syndrome;Femoral artery embolism;Fibrillary glomerulonephritis;Fibromyalgia;Flushing;Foaming at mouth;Focal cortical resection;Focal dyscognitive seizures;Foetal distress syndrome;Foetal placental thrombosis;Foetor hepaticus;Foreign body embolism;Frontal lobe epilepsy;Fulminant type 1 diabetes mellitus;Galactose elimination capacity test abnormal;Galactose elimination capacity test decreased;Gamma-glutamyltransferase abnormal;Gamma-glutamyltransferase increased;Gastritis herpes;Gastrointestinal amyloidosis;Gelastic seizure;Generalised onset non-motor seizure;Generalised tonic-clonic seizure;Genital herpes;Genital herpes simplex;Genital herpes zoster;Giant cell arteritis;Glomerulonephritis;Glomerulonephritis membranoproliferative;Glomerulonephritis membranous;Glomerulonephritis rapidly progressive;Glossopharyngeal nerve paralysis;Glucose transporter type 1 deficiency syndrome;Glutamate dehydrogenase increased;Glycocholic acid increased;GM2 gangliosidosis;Goodpasture's syndrome;Graft thrombosis;Granulocytopenia;Granulocytopenia neonatal;Granulomatosis with polyangiitis;Granulomatous dermatitis;Grey matter heterotopia;Guanase increased;Guillain-Barre syndrome;Haemolytic anaemia;Haemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis;Haemorrhage;Haemorrhagic ascites;Haemorrhagic disorder;Haemorrhagic pneumonia;Haemorrhagic varicella syndrome;Haemorrhagic vasculitis;Hantavirus pulmonary infection;Hashimoto's encephalopathy;Hashitoxicosis;Hemimegalencephaly;Henoch-Schonlein purpura;Henoch-Schonlein purpura nephritis;Hepaplastin abnormal;Hepaplastin decreased;Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia;Hepatic amyloidosis;Hepatic artery embolism;Hepatic artery flow decreased;Hepatic artery thrombosis;Hepatic enzyme abnormal;Hepatic enzyme decreased;Hepatic enzyme increased;Hepatic fibrosis marker abnormal;Hepatic fibrosis marker increased;Hepatic function abnormal;Hepatic hydrothorax;Hepatic hypertrophy;Hepatic hypoperfusion;Hepatic lymphocytic infiltration;Hepatic mass;Hepatic pain;Hepatic sequestration;Hepatic vascular resistance increased;Hepatic vascular thrombosis;Hepatic vein embolism;Hepatic vein thrombosis;Hepatic venous pressure gradient abnormal;Hepatic venous pressure gradient increased;Hepatitis;Hepatobiliary scan abnormal;Hepatomegaly;Hepatosplenomegaly;Hereditary angioedema with C1 esterase inhibitor deficiency;Herpes dermatitis;Herpes gestationis;Herpes oesophagitis;Herpes ophthalmic;Herpes pharyngitis;Herpes sepsis;Herpes simplex;Herpes simplex cervicitis;Herpes simplex colitis;Herpes simplex encephalitis;Herpes simplex gastritis;Herpes simplex hepatitis;Herpes simplex meningitis;Herpes simplex meningoencephalitis;Herpes simplex meningomyelitis;Herpes simplex necrotising retinopathy;Herpes simplex oesophagitis;Herpes simplex otitis externa;Herpes simplex pharyngitis;Herpes simplex pneumonia;Herpes simplex reactivation;Herpes simplex sepsis;Herpes simplex viraemia;Herpes simplex virus conjunctivitis neonatal;Herpes simplex visceral;Herpes virus



infection;Herpes zoster;Herpes zoster cutaneous disseminated;Herpes zoster infection neurological;Herpes zoster meningitis;Herpes zoster meningoencephalitis;Herpes zoster meningomyelitis;Herpes zoster meningoradiculitis;Herpes zoster necrotising retinopathy;Herpes zoster oticus;Herpes zoster pharyngitis;Herpes zoster reactivation;Herpetic radiculopathy;Histone antibody positive;Hoigne's syndrome;Human herpesvirus 6 encephalitis;Human herpesvirus 6 infection;Human herpesvirus 6 infection reactivation;Human herpesvirus 7 infection;Human herpesvirus 8 infection;Hyperammonaemia;Hyperbilirubinaemia;Hypercholia;Hypergammaglobulinaemia benign monoclonal;Hyperglycaemic seizure;Hypersensitivity;Hypersensitivity vasculitis;Hyperthyroidism;Hypertransaminaemia;Hyperventilation;Hypoalbuminaemia;Hypocalcaemic seizure;Hypogammaglobulinaemia;Hypoglossal nerve paralysis;Hypoglossal nerve paresis;Hypoglycaemic seizure;Hyponatraemic seizure;Hypotension;Hypotensive crisis;Hypothenar hammer syndrome;Hypothyroidism;Hypoxia;Idiopathic CD4 lymphocytopenia;Idiopathic generalised epilepsy;Idiopathic interstitial pneumonia;Idiopathic neutropenia;Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis;IgA nephropathy;IgM nephropathy;IIIrd nerve paralysis;IIIrd nerve paresis;Iliac artery embolism;Immune thrombocytopenia;Immune-mediated adverse reaction;Immune-mediated cholangitis;Immune-mediated cholestasis;Immune-mediated cytopenia;Immune-mediated encephalitis;Immune-mediated encephalopathy;Immune-mediated endocrinopathy;Immune-mediated enterocolitis;Immune-mediated gastritis;Immune-mediated hepatic disorder;Immune-mediated hepatitis;Immune-mediated hyperthyroidism;Immune-mediated hypothyroidism;Immune-mediated myocarditis;Immune-mediated myositis;Immune-mediated nephritis;Immune-mediated neuropathy;Immune-mediated pancreatitis;Immune-mediated pneumonitis;Immune-mediated renal disorder;Immune-mediated thyroiditis;Immune-mediated uveitis;Immunoglobulin G4 related disease;Immunoglobulins abnormal;Implant site thrombosis;Inclusion body myositis;Infantile genetic agranulocytosis;Infantile spasms;Infected vasculitis;Infective thrombosis;Inflammation;Inflammatory bowel disease;Infusion site thrombosis;Infusion site vasculitis;Injection site thrombosis;Injection site urticaria;Injection site vasculitis;Instillation site thrombosis;Insulin autoimmune syndrome;Interstitial granulomatous dermatitis;Interstitial lung disease;Intracardiac mass;Intracardiac thrombus;Intracranial pressure increased;Intrapericardial thrombosis;Intrinsic factor antibody abnormal;Intrinsic factor antibody positive;IPEX syndrome;Irregular breathing;IRVAN syndrome;IVth nerve paralysis;IVth nerve paresis;JC polyomavirus test positive;JC virus CSF test positive;Jeavons syndrome;Jugular vein embolism;Jugular vein thrombosis;Juvenile idiopathic arthritis;Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy;Juvenile polymyositis;Juvenile psoriatic arthritis;Juvenile spondyloarthritis;Kaposi sarcoma inflammatory cytokine syndrome;Kawasaki's disease;Kayser-Fleischer ring;Keratoderma blenorrhagica;Ketosis-prone diabetes mellitus;Kounis syndrome;Lafora's myoclonic epilepsy;Lamb's excrescences;Laryngeal dyspnoea;Laryngeal oedema;Laryngeal rheumatoid arthritis;Laryngospasm;Laryngotracheal oedema;Latent autoimmune diabetes in adults;LE cells present;Lemierre syndrome;Lennox-Gastaut syndrome;Leucine aminopeptidase increased;Leukoencephalomyelitis;Leukoencephalopathy;Leukopenia;Leukopenia neonatal;Lewis-Sumner syndrome;Lhermitte's sign;Lichen planopilaris;Lichen planus;Lichen sclerosus;Limbic encephalitis;Linear IgA disease;Lip oedema;Lip swelling;Liver function test abnormal;Liver function test decreased;Liver function test increased;Liver induration;Liver injury;Liver iron concentration abnormal;Liver iron concentration

increased;Liver opacity;Liver palpable;Liver sarcoidosis;Liver scan abnormal;Liver tenderness;Low birth weight baby;Lower respiratory tract herpes infection;Lower respiratory tract infection;Lower respiratory tract infection viral;Lung abscess;Lupoid hepatic cirrhosis;Lupus cystitis;Lupus encephalitis;Lupus endocarditis;Lupus enteritis;Lupus hepatitis;Lupus myocarditis;Lupus myositis;Lupus nephritis;Lupus pancreatitis;Lupus pleurisy;Lupus pneumonitis;Lupus vasculitis;Lupus-like syndrome;Lymphocytic hypophysitis;Lymphocytopenia neonatal;Lymphopenia;MAGIC syndrome;Magnetic resonance imaging liver abnormal;Magnetic resonance proton density fat fraction measurement;Mahler sign;Manufacturing laboratory analytical testing issue;Manufacturing materials issue;Manufacturing production issue;Marburg's variant multiple sclerosis;Marchiafava-Bignami disease;Marine Lenhart syndrome;Mastocytic enterocolitis;Maternal exposure during pregnancy;Medical device site thrombosis;Medical device site vasculitis;MELAS syndrome;Meningitis;Meningitis aseptic;Meningitis herpes;Meningoencephalitis herpes simplex neonatal;Meningoencephalitis herpetic;Meningomyelitis herpes;MERS-CoV test;MERS-CoV test negative;MERS-CoV test positive;Mesangioproliferative glomerulonephritis;Mesenteric artery embolism;Mesenteric artery thrombosis;Mesenteric vein thrombosis;Metapneumovirus infection;Metastatic cutaneous Crohn's disease;Metastatic pulmonary embolism;Microangiopathy;Microembolism;Microscopic polyangiitis;Middle East respiratory syndrome;Migraine-triggered seizure;Miliary pneumonia;Miller Fisher syndrome;Mitochondrial aspartate aminotransferase increased;Mixed connective tissue disease;Model for end stage liver disease score abnormal;Model for end stage liver disease score increased;Molar ratio of total branched-chain amino acid to tyrosine;Molybdenum cofactor deficiency;Monocytopenia;Mononeuritis;Mononeuropathy multiplex;Morphoea;Morvan syndrome;Mouth swelling;Moyamoya disease;Multifocal motor neuropathy;Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome;Multiple sclerosis;Multiple sclerosis relapse;Multiple sclerosis relapse prophylaxis;Multiple subpial transection;Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children;Muscular sarcoidosis;Myasthenia gravis;Myasthenia gravis crisis;Myasthenia gravis neonatal;Myasthenic syndrome;Myelitis;Myelitis transverse;Myocardial infarction;Myocarditis;Myocarditis post infection;Myoclonic epilepsy;Myoclonic epilepsy and ragged-red fibres;Myokymia;Myositis;Narcolepsy;Nasal herpes;Nasal obstruction;Necrotising herpetic retinopathy;Neonatal Crohn's disease;Neonatal epileptic seizure;Neonatal lupus erythematosus;Neonatal mucocutaneous herpes simplex;Neonatal pneumonia;Neonatal seizure;Nephritis;Nephrogenic systemic fibrosis;Neuralgic amyotrophy;Neuritis;Neuritis cranial;Neuromyelitis optica pseudo relapse;Neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder;Neuromyotonia;Neuronal neuropathy;Neuropathy peripheral;Neuropathy, ataxia, retinitis pigmentosa syndrome;Neuropsychiatric lupus;Neurosarcoidosis;Neutropenia;Neutropenia neonatal;Neutropenic colitis;Neutropenic infection;Neutropenic sepsis;Nodular vasculitis;Noninfectious myelitis;Noninfective encephalitis;Noninfective encephalomyelitis;Noninfective oophoritis;Obstetrical pulmonary embolism;Occupational exposure to communicable disease;Occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2;Ocular hyperaemia;Ocular myasthenia;Ocular pemphigoid;Ocular sarcoidosis;Ocular vasculitis;Oculofacial paralysis;Oedema;Oedema blister;Oedema due to hepatic disease;Oedema mouth;Oesophageal achalasia;Ophthalmic artery thrombosis;Ophthalmic herpes simplex;Ophthalmic herpes zoster;Ophthalmic vein thrombosis;Optic neuritis;Optic

neuropathy; Optic perineuritis; Oral herpes; Oral lichen planus; Oropharyngeal oedema; Oropharyngeal spasm; Oropharyngeal swelling; Osmotic demyelination syndrome; Ovarian vein thrombosis; Overlap syndrome; Paediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infection; Paget-Schroetter syndrome; Palindromic rheumatism; Palisaded neutrophilic granulomatous dermatitis; Palmoplantar keratoderma; Palpable purpura; Pancreatitis; Panencephalitis; Papillophlebitis; Paracancerous pneumonia; Paradoxical embolism; Parainfluenzae viral laryngotracheobronchitis; Paraneoplastic dermatomyositis; Paraneoplastic pemphigus; Paraneoplastic thrombosis; Paresis cranial nerve; Parietal cell antibody positive; Paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria; Partial seizures; Partial seizures with secondary generalisation; Patient isolation; Pelvic venous thrombosis; Pemphigoid; Pemphigus; Penile vein thrombosis; Pericarditis; Pericarditis lupus; Perihepatic discomfort; Periorbital oedema; Periorbital swelling; Peripheral artery thrombosis; Peripheral embolism; Peripheral ischaemia; Peripheral vein thrombus extension; Periportal oedema; Peritoneal fluid protein abnormal; Peritoneal fluid protein decreased; Peritoneal fluid protein increased; Peritonitis lupus; Pernicious anaemia; Petit mal epilepsy; Pharyngeal oedema; Pharyngeal swelling; Pityriasis lichenoides et varioliformis acuta; Placenta praevia; Pleuroparenchymal fibroelastosis; Pneumobilia; Pneumonia; Pneumonia adenoviral; Pneumonia cytomegaloviral; Pneumonia herpes viral; Pneumonia influenzal; Pneumonia measles; Pneumonia mycoplasmal; Pneumonia necrotising; Pneumonia parainfluenzae viral; Pneumonia respiratory syncytial viral; Pneumonia viral; POEMS syndrome; Polyarteritis nodosa; Polyarthritides; Polychondritis; Polyglandular autoimmune syndrome type I; Polyglandular autoimmune syndrome type II; Polyglandular autoimmune syndrome type III; Polyglandular disorder; Polymicrogyria; Polymyalgia rheumatica; Polymyositis; Polyneuropathy; Polyneuropathy idiopathic progressive; Portal pyaemia; Portal vein embolism; Portal vein flow decreased; Portal vein pressure increased; Portal vein thrombosis; Portosplenomesenteric venous thrombosis; Post procedural hypotension; Post procedural pneumonia; Post procedural pulmonary embolism; Post stroke epilepsy; Post stroke seizure; Post thrombotic retinopathy; Post thrombotic syndrome; Post viral fatigue syndrome; Postictal headache; Postictal paralysis; Postictal psychosis; Postictal state; Postoperative respiratory distress; Postoperative respiratory failure; Postoperative thrombosis; Postpartum thrombosis; Postpartum venous thrombosis; Postpericardiotomy syndrome; Post-traumatic epilepsy; Postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome; Precerebral artery thrombosis; Pre-eclampsia; Preictal state; Premature labour; Premature menopause; Primary amyloidosis; Primary biliary cholangitis; Primary progressive multiple sclerosis; Procedural shock; Proctitis herpes; Proctitis ulcerative; Product availability issue; Product distribution issue; Product supply issue; Progressive facial hemiatrophy; Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy; Progressive multiple sclerosis; Progressive relapsing multiple sclerosis; Prosthetic cardiac valve thrombosis; Pruritus; Pruritus allergic; Pseudovasculitis; Psoriasis; Psoriatic arthropathy; Pulmonary amyloidosis; Pulmonary artery thrombosis; Pulmonary embolism; Pulmonary fibrosis; Pulmonary haemorrhage; Pulmonary microemboli; Pulmonary oil microembolism; Pulmonary renal syndrome; Pulmonary sarcoidosis; Pulmonary sepsis; Pulmonary thrombosis; Pulmonary tumour thrombotic microangiopathy; Pulmonary vasculitis; Pulmonary veno-occlusive disease; Pulmonary venous thrombosis; Pyoderma gangrenosum; Pyostomatitis vegetans; Pyrexia; Quarantine; Radiation leukopenia; Radiculitis

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brachial;Radiologically isolated syndrome;Rash;Rash erythematous;Rash pruritic;Rasmussen encephalitis;Raynaud's phenomenon;Reactive capillary endothelial proliferation;Relapsing multiple sclerosis;Relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis;Renal amyloidosis;Renal arteritis;Renal artery thrombosis;Renal embolism;Renal failure;Renal vascular thrombosis;Renal vasculitis;Renal vein embolism;Renal vein thrombosis;Respiratory arrest;Respiratory disorder;Respiratory distress;Respiratory failure;Respiratory paralysis;Respiratory syncytial virus bronchiolitis;Respiratory syncytial virus bronchitis;Retinal artery embolism;Retinal artery occlusion;Retinal artery thrombosis;Retinal vascular thrombosis;Retinal vasculitis;Retinal vein occlusion;Retinal vein thrombosis;Retinol binding protein decreased;Retinopathy;Retrograde portal vein flow;Retroperitoneal fibrosis;Reversible airways obstruction;Reynold's syndrome;Rheumatic brain disease;Rheumatic disorder;Rheumatoid arthritis;Rheumatoid factor increased;Rheumatoid factor positive;Rheumatoid factor quantitative increased;Rheumatoid lung;Rheumatoid neutrophilic dermatosis;Rheumatoid nodule;Rheumatoid nodule removal;Rheumatoid scleritis;Rheumatoid vasculitis;Saccadic eye movement;SAPHO syndrome;Sarcoidosis;SARS-CoV-1 test;SARS-CoV-1 test negative;SARS-CoV-1 test positive;SARS-CoV-2 antibody test;SARS-CoV-2 antibody test negative;SARS-CoV-2 antibody test positive;SARS-CoV-2 carrier;SARS-CoV-2 sepsis;SARS-CoV-2 test;SARS-CoV-2 test false negative;SARS-CoV-2 test false positive;SARS-CoV-2 test negative;SARS-CoV-2 test positive;SARS-CoV-2 viraemia;Satoyoshi syndrome;Schizencephaly;Scleritis;Sclerodactylia;Scleroderma;Scleroderma associated digital ulcer;Scleroderma renal crisis;Scleroderma-like reaction;Secondary amyloidosis;Secondary cerebellar degeneration;Secondary progressive multiple sclerosis;Segmented hyalinising vasculitis;Seizure;Seizure anoxic;Seizure cluster;Seizure like phenomena;Seizure prophylaxis;Sensation of foreign body;Septic embolus;Septic pulmonary embolism;Severe acute respiratory syndrome;Severe myoclonic epilepsy of infancy;Shock;Shock symptom;Shrinking lung syndrome;Shunt thrombosis;Silent thyroiditis;Simple partial seizures;Sjogren's syndrome;Skin swelling;SLE arthritis;Smooth muscle antibody positive;Sneezing;Spinal artery embolism;Spinal artery thrombosis;Splenic artery thrombosis;Splenic embolism;Splenic thrombosis;Splenic vein thrombosis;Spondylitis;Spondyloarthropathy;Spontaneous heparin-induced thrombocytopenia syndrome;Status epilepticus;Stevens-Johnson syndrome;Stiff leg syndrome;Stiff person syndrome;Stillbirth;Still's disease;Stoma site thrombosis;Stoma site vasculitis;Stress cardiomyopathy;Stridor;Subacute cutaneous lupus erythematosus;Subacute endocarditis;Subacute inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy;Subclavian artery embolism;Subclavian artery thrombosis;Subclavian vein thrombosis;Sudden unexplained death in epilepsy;Superior sagittal sinus thrombosis;Susac's syndrome;Suspected COVID-19;Swelling;Swelling face;Swelling of eyelid;Swollen tongue;Sympathetic ophthalmia;Systemic lupus erythematosus;Systemic lupus erythematosus disease activity index abnormal;Systemic lupus erythematosus disease activity index decreased;Systemic lupus erythematosus disease activity index increased;Systemic lupus erythematosus rash;Systemic scleroderma;Systemic sclerosis pulmonary;Tachycardia;Tachypnoea;Takayasu's arteritis;Temporal lobe epilepsy;Terminal ileitis;Testicular autoimmunity;Throat tightness;Thromboangiitis obliterans;Thrombocytopenia;Thrombocytopenic purpura;Thrombophlebitis;Thrombophlebitis migrans;Thrombophlebitis

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In support of SB 315: Written Only Testimony  
Public Health and Welfare  
March 19, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Gossage and Members of the Public Health and Welfare Committee:

I strongly urge your support for SB 315.

Health Freedom SB 315 is of utmost and necessary importance in light of the recent government overreach and infringements on our most basic health freedoms. These violations of our liberties have cost Americans their jobs, their educations, and even their lives. To this day, patients in need of live-saving transplants are being denied and, in effect, sentenced to die because of vaccine status. A new underclass has been created, based on vaccination status. What could be more un-American?

SB 315 reaffirms and upholds our most basic first amendment freedoms, specifying these freedoms for all ages and circumstances. It specifies that religion is a private matter between the individual and God, and that no public, workplace, or government entity has the power to deny a religious exemption based on that person's sincerely held religious belief. The person's own signed statement of sincere religious belief is the best and only evidence needed and the only basis for judgement of religious exemption. We must err on the side of our foundational God-given freedoms.

Please support SB 315.

Sincerely,  
Teresa Hopper  
Lawrence, Kansas  
Kansas Senate District #2

March 18, 2023

BILL SB 315

Proponent of SB315

Written testimony only

Beverly Hoskins, Registered Pharmacist of 47 years

To: Committee Chair Beverly Gossage and members of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee,

Please support SB 315. Protect Kansas children from unnecessary Covid shots which do not prevent infection nor the spread of infection but may cause serious side effects including myocarditis, blood clots, strokes, and sudden death.

Prevent medical procedures against the individuals will. No Mandates!

The people of Kansas want our individual liberties preserved.

Beverly Hoskins, RPh  
Senate District 31  
Hesston, KS

Health and Public Welfare

SB 315

**Proponent** Testimony

Written Only

Chairwoman Gossage and Committee Members,

Thank you all for standing with the people in October 2021 during the Special Session. I sat outside the State House with hundreds of Kansans urging the passage of the bill.

You saved what was left of our economy and the families could continue to work and provide for their families. These religious beliefs exemptions saved many Kansans. I had to wait until the very last day to submit my declination form my HR department waiting for that bill to pass. I was at risk of losing a job I had for 13 years. A job that I had declined the flu vaccine every year of my employment with a simple checkmark on a form. The form they were forcing me to sign for COVID before passage of the bill was blasphemous and obtrusive.

We left our children behind and this needs to be corrected now. With the same language allowing parents to provide religious beliefs exemptions for their children. Family Values are important.

There is great fear in the fact the CDC has added Covid shots to the childhood vaccine schedule.

Additionally, I have a college age child, a niece in college now and a nephew headed to college in the fall, the repealing of the meningitis vaccine requirement to live in student housing is just as important.

Please Pass out of committee SB 315 in its original state. We cannot leave our children behind.

Thank you.

Benee Hudson

Overland Park



Public Health and Welfare  
Proponent SB315  
Written Testimony Only  
March 19, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Gossage and Members of the Public Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support for SB315.

On October 22, 2021, the The University of Kansas sent a community-wide email demand for all employees — student employees included — to submit medical proof of COVID-19 vaccination or risk disciplinary action up to and including termination. Although the announcement indicated there would be room for religious exemption, the process was not yet in place. Later events would reveal that the planned exemption process was to be both burdensome and invasive: written testimony of belief and historical testimony from third party witnesses, all judged by a committee from the university, with officially stated priority:

KU participates in millions of dollars in federal contracts that fund research, employment and educational efforts — all of which are at risk if we are not aligned with the executive order. For this reason, we cannot be flexible with employees who choose not to comply with the vaccine requirement.

Since most graduate students relied on employed GTA and GRA funded positions, they lost their rights to make their own medical decisions and to follow the dictates of their own consciences. As a proud member of the scientific community, I uphold the right to self-evaluate medical studies, statistics, and safety claims for any substance that enters the body. I support the right of others to make their own medical decisions, whether they agree with my own or not. I also support the right for people to be the best judge of their own deeply held religious beliefs. This is a “My body. My choice.” issue. If medical self-determination is not upheld as a natural right, on what philosophical basis can it ever be argued in any other context?

Sincerely,  
Dr. Jeremy Ims, PhD  
Overland Park, KS  
Kansas Senate District #8

In Support of SB 315: Written Only Testimony  
Committee on Public Health and Welfare  
March 19, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Senator Beverly Gossage and Members of the Public Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support for SB 315.

This bill is a matter of bodily autonomy and personal religious freedom.

As a Type 1 Diabetic with significant health care considerations and costs that differ from the norm, I am highly concerned about mandatory vaccines that would cause me to choose between health endangerment or loss of the employment that provides a way to pay for health care. As a woman who knows other women who have lost employment because of vaccine mandates, the issue of forced vaccinations is not a hypothetical, but a very real danger.

No government, employer, or school should force medical procedures upon a person, without exemptions for health and personal, sincerely-held religious beliefs.

I would appreciate your support for SB 315.

Sincerely,

Jessica Ims  
Overland Park, Kansas  
Kansas Senate District #8

Proponent SB 315  
Written Testimony Only

Dear Chairwoman Beverly Gossage and Public Health & Welfare Committee Members,

I am writing in response to SB 315. I urge you to please pass SB 315. Our children should have the same rights/protection against vaccine requirements as their parents. This is just common sense.

Furthermore, no one should be required or mandated to take the covid shot. It's never prevented someone from getting covid – no matter how many boosters. And it's never prevented someone from passing on covid.... Both of which are lies that the liberals and the legacy liberal news spread. Sincerely,

Jason Ingram  
Prairie Village, KS 66207

MARCH 18, 2023

BILL NO. SB 315

**Disposition: Proponent – VOTE YES !**

Testimony: Written – pdf Email

Name of Conferee: Mrs. Donna B. Klamm – Citizen of Gardner, Kansas

Chairman: D. Fairbanks and Members of the Committee

**Regarding Bill No. SB 315, Please vote YES on this bill.**

Please protect Child Care facilities, elementary, secondary and postsecondary educational institutions and employers educational institutions and employers to grant exemptions from vaccine requirements.

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**Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee  
SB 315**

**Proponent Testimony  
Written Only Testimony**

Rich Lorenzo  
Lawrence, KS  
Senate District #19

Honorable Chairwoman Gossage, Vice-Chair Erickson, Ranking Minority Pettey, and  
Committee Members:

I strongly urge your support of SB 315.

Over the past few years, the health freedom of Kansans has come under attack. During Covid, politicians, school boards, county and city commissions and un-elected health officials **mandated** health decisions for Kansans rather than offering education and recommending solutions. They closed schools, then they put masks on kids and in some cases required vaccines to go back to school, they barred people from entering local businesses and sporting events without a mask or vaccine card and some businesses even required their workers to get an unproven vaccine to maintain employment. That sounds like medical tyranny. We can't go back to that. Ever.

SB315 offers Kansans' protection. It restrains government mandates and eliminates there involvement in an individual's healthcare decisions. It seems like all legislators should be able to unite around that. It is not a partisan bill.

In addition, it aligns perfectly with the fundamental principles of individual freedom and liberty outlined in the **Platform of the Kansas Republican Party**. The Republicans on the committee should act in accordance with the Platform of the Kansas Republican Party, which states that we believe "**Our healthcare decisions should be made by us and our doctors** (Preamble, p. 1)," and that "**True healthcare reform gives individuals control over their healthcare** (Article VIII)..."

I ask for and would appreciate your support of SB 315.

Sincerely,  
Richard Lorenzo  
Lawrence, KS

My name is DeAnna Marshall, MD. I am from Hutchinson, Ks and I am a proponent of Senate Bill No. 315

I honestly cannot imagine that we are having a discussion on whether or not our government is allowed to compel or coerce people to take an experimental genetic therapy. I believe the constitution speaks for itself in regards to personal liberty. Our immune system and genetics are extremely complicated and each individual is very different. When I looked up previous attempts to use mRNA therapies they did not do well in the studies. When people asked me about taking these injections I told them the only thing I could which was, "I have absolutely no idea". This response was because we had no real data. The initial trial lasted about 3 months before they unleashed it to the world population. We had no discussion of risk versus benefit and we had absolutely no idea if they would cause immune/inflammatory disorders or cancers longterm. I also had learned that you do not "vaccinate" in the middle of a pandemic as this can actually drive mutations. The only people to consider trying these injections with were the very elderly or obese. However, an intense discussion on risk versus benefit should have been done even with this population of people. Fairly quickly we saw that the vaccines did not stop infections or transmission and the injections should have stopped immediately at that point. We should be scrutinizing data on five separate groups of people: covid then vaccinated, vaccinated then covid, vaccinated no covid, unvaccinated no covid, unvaccinated then covid. We should be looking at mortality in general and if there are any disease signals in any of these groups to see how we should respond in the future. Two other glaring red flags were the fact that they vaccinated the control group in the trial and continued to mandate injections for people who had already had covid. It appeared they did not want a control group big enough so it would be obvious if the injections were causing any problems beyond covid itself. Probably the biggest issue is the fact that these Pharmaceutical companies made billions of dollars with no liability. No other entity gets to do business this way. I would also think it is a conflict of interest for any politician who receives any pharma dollars to be a part of legislation involving pharmaceutical products. It was also concerning that the commercials only said safe and effective with no listing of possible side effects like every other drug commercial must do.

It is time to vote for people to have personal liberty as stated in our constitution when it comes to any medical treatment.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony and your support of SB 315

DeAnna Marshall MD

March 19, 2023  
Proponent SB 315  
Written Only Testimony

Dear Chairwomen Gossage and Committee Members:

I am in strong support of SB 315.

I am grateful for the bi-partisan effort in the fall of 2021 during the Special Session and passage of HB 2001. After facing the risk of being terminated, this law saved my job! But mistakenly, we left our children behind!

There are schools in our state that are not accepting religious exemption requests. While we affirmed in 2021, that my religious beliefs cannot be scrutinized, we didn't affirm the beliefs of my children. Please correct this with SB 315.

There is no reason why SB 315 should not get the same bi-partisan support we got with HB 2001 as it all only extends the same language down to our children. With the CDC now adding the Covid shot to the scheduled, we have no guarantee that KDHE won't add it to the list of required vaccinations for school as they generally follow the CDC.

My children watched me in the fall of 2021 go through the most difficult decision of my life. Was I going to continue a career of 27 years in healthcare or was I going to stay true to my faith and trust in God and allow him to help me find a new path. I endured many sleepless nights and it was the scariest time of my life.

They watched me under deep stress work frantically to understand and share my religious beliefs with human resources. I firmly believe in staying true to your conscious which is why I worked so hard to share that this was not political to me, but rather my religious upbringing on morals and ethics and doing what is right through the eyes of the faith that I follow.

As a mother, it is my responsibility to protect them and hopefully work to make their lives easier than mine. That is why I am writing today in hopes to see this bill succeed. I never want them to have to choose between their faith and a school, or job, like I had to do. I want them to be respected for who they are and live in a state with complete religious freedom.

To my fellow republicans, I ask that you abide by the KSGOP Party Platform.

"OUR HEALTHCARE DECISIONS should be made by us and our doctors. We affirm the rights guaranteed by the Bill of Rights as originally intended by the founding fathers including the rights to practice religion freely. Parents bear the final responsibility before God in rearing of their children and have the right to raise their children consistent with their religious and moral values. Parents must be free to train and discipline their children in love and direct their education and health care according to their beliefs and values without government intrusion."

Although the words above are from the Republican platform, I deeply believe we can come around these words in a bi-partisan way, as these were the values our country was founded upon.

**Please vote YES on SB 315 and pass it out of committee favorably.**

Sincerely,

Melissa Mason  
Overland Park, KS

Testimony in Support of SB315

Public Health Committee

March 21, 2023

Thank you Chair and members of the committee. I am grateful you are taking the time to hear and hopefully work such an important bill as SB315. Since the COVID fear arose in 2020-2022, we have seen a mistrust in the entire medical profession and health organizations brought on largely because of constant hype and discussion that often conflicted with what others were seeing in the field.

Just as I was told would happen, when my husband of 81 years presented at the ER with high fever and possible COVID symptoms, we were sent home with the advice if it got so bad we could not stand it, they would hospitalize him if we came back. They did not offer any medications whatsoever.

Now, I am hearing our nation may go under the supervision of the WHO since Fauci has stepped down.

This bill is a breath of fresh air in that it once again empowers individuals to be able to self direct their own health care without fear they will be subjected to mandates on injections that may have a detrimental effect on their health. I know some still have full confidence in government run health care, but many would much prefer to decide what is best for their health and the health of their family.

Isolation and mandates are not the answer for a healthier population. Our elderly, our youth, our families have suffered through a season of unnecessary fear, over control by our government, and many conflicting opinions even from Fauci himself.

Now, I am asking you to save our healthcare and our independence from overcontrol of the government and please pass SB315 out of the committee and on to the floor.

Peggy Mast

Rural Lyon County