

Dear Members of the house.

Thank you for having me today, my name is Peggy Springer, I am the widow of John D. Springer. Thank you for allowing Senator Steffen and myself to honor my late husband by having his name on this bill, SB352. I pray that that this bill can pass so no one else has to walk this journey of pain as so many have. This bill is geared towards protecting the patient and their family.

Had this bill been in place when John got sick.

1. He would not have been isolated, confused and alone. It is a proven fact that patients who have loved ones around them do better.
2. He would not have been shipped off to Oklahoma away from his family.
3. I would have been allowed to be there to advocate for him with regard to treatment and care, my husband depended on me for that in normal circumstances.
4. He would have been given informed consent. He did not consent to Remdesivir but was given it anyways, along with fentanyl and morphine and other life ending drugs, when his life was not at the end.
5. He would have been given the medications his family asked for without being mocked. We asked for ivermectin which we all know is one of the Who's topmost essential and safe medications.
6. We could have had the doctor removed who mocked him and told me " your husband is not a horse. We all know ivermectin is for people too.
7. John would not have been mentally, or physically abused, misuse of restraints and breaking his nose.
8. I would not have to hire an attorney to get his medical records from a Kansas hospital.
9. John would have been given basic care from me in terms of being cleaned and cared for. He would not have been treated like an animal.
10. If this bill had been in place when John got ill I would not be here speaking to you today.

Thank you for your time. I support this bill..