

February 12, 2024

- TO: Representative Brenda Landwehr and Members of the Health and Human Services Committee
- FR: Matt Fletcher, Executive Director, InterHab
- RE: HB 2751

Chair Landwehr and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding HB 2751. We are aware of the Department's need to amend existing statute in order to clarify its oversight capacity of systems such as the IDD long-term care network.

InterHab's members support the development and maintenance of a strong network of services for Kansans with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The ability of KDADS to engage in meaningful oversight is critical to the strength and stability of our system. As such, we support the ability of KDADS to have adequate licensure oversight authority.

We have continued to work collaboratively with KDADS regarding IDD system challenges surrounding licensure and oversight. Our members remain committed to continued improvement in greater consistency in oversight across the state, as well as reasonable applications of licensure and oversight authority.

If we can provide further information regarding the measures contained within HB 2751, please let us know.