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I am sorry-I oppose this bill HB-2299. Written testimony only.

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> --------הודעה שהועברה ------מאת: House Education <<u>H.Education@house.ks.gov</u> תאריך: יום ב׳, 10 בפבר׳ 2025 ב-10:13 RE: HB-2299 ~ Written Testimony נושא: Dylan Gardner <<u>dylnadargardner@gmail.com</u>

Please resubmit your testimony and indicate Proponent, Opponent, Neutral. Also please indicate whether your testimony is Written Only, In person or Virtual. If it is virtual, I will send a link to the meeting.

If I can be of any further assistance, please contact me at your convenience.

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Have a blessed day.

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