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MEMORANDUM

To: The House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: 2/10/2026

Re: H.B. 2635, As introduced; Enacting the pregnancy center autonomy and rights of expression act to protect the ability of private pregnancy centers to provide life-affirming care.

H.B. 2635 would establish the pregnancy center autonomy and rights of expression act and define key terms, including "abortion," "abortion-inducing drug," "pregnancy center," and "medical pregnancy center." The bill would prohibit state and local governments from enacting measures that do any of the following: require pregnancy centers to perform or refer for abortions or provide abortion-inducing drugs; require that such centers counsel in favor of abortion or post materials promoting abortion or abortion-inducing drugs; restrict pregnancy and parenting services or resources because a center does not perform, refer or counsel in favor of abortion; or interferes with staffing or hiring by requiring employment of persons who do not affirm the center's mission or pro-life ethic.

The bill would create a private right of action for aggrieved parties to seek damages, declaratory or injunctive relief, with possible costs and attorney fees for the prevailing party. It would also authorize the legislature, by concurrent resolution, to appoint one or more members to intervene as a matter of right in challenges to the act's constitutionality or enforceability.¹ The bill would also include a severability clause.

H.B. 2635 would become effective upon publication in the statute book.

¹ Under Kansas' rules of civil procedure, a person may be granted the right to intervene in a court proceeding by statute. [K.S.A. 60-224](#)