

Members of the House Health & Human Services Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present proponent testimony on HB 2280. Advances in health care have proven to improve patient outcomes. This bill will clean up inadvertent mistakes in language of several existing statutes. Sometimes these language issues currently hinder the EMS provider in providing care. Moving the bill forward allows for the Kansas EMS clinicians to be able to provide better patient care.

Standards of care are changing to advance common EMS practices but existing language hamper Kansas EMS providers in making these improvements at the local level. These changes will not only help improve patient care but also benefit patients by navigating them into the most appropriate resource when an emergency room visit is not the most appropriate destination.

This improves care, works to ease financial burdens for the patient, emergency services, and hospitals.

Thank you for the opportunity and I gladly stand for questions.

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