

Testimony in Support of HB 2316
Committee on Health and Human Services
February 17, 2025

Chair and Members of the Committee.

My name is Jennifer Sourk, and I am here today on behalf of Midwest Health, Inc. and our 50+ adult care home facilities across Kansas.

As a long-standing adult care home provider, our staff works diligently to ensure Kansans receive the highest quality care. Our industry continuously seeks to improve through new tools and technology, striving to exceed industry standards. However, securing the necessary funding for these investments remains a challenge.

For this reason, we strongly support the proposed bill that would allocate civil monetary penalty (CMP) collections by KDADS toward a reinvestment fund benefiting the elderly in our care. While we make every effort to avoid CMP assessments, they do occasionally occur. Our facilities provide the highest number of Medicaid-assisted living beds in Kansas. Allowing us to reinvest these funds—particularly since they are often derived from government-subsidized payments—will further enhance care for Kansans.

We encourage your support for this initiative. Similar legislation in other states where we operate has proven invaluable, and we believe it will have the same positive impact here.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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