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Neutral Testimony on HB2368
Kansas State Board of Healing Arts
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide this neutral testimony concerning HB2368, the anesthesiologist assistant licensure act. My name is Susan Gile, and I am the Executive Director for the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (“KSBHA” or “Board”). The Board is the executive body tasked with licensing and regulating 16 different healthcare professions in Kansas. *See* K.S.A. 65-2801 *et seq.* The Board is composed of 15 members, 12 of whom are licensed healthcare professionals from various professions, including eight licensed physicians, three chiropractors, one podiatrist, and three public members. **The statutory mission of the Board is patient protection.** *See* K.S.A. 65-2801.

HB2368 as written would create a professional licensure act for Anesthesiologist Assistants. We appreciate that the provisions within the bill are consistent with the statutory processes and procedures set forth in other licensing acts. We appreciate that the bill includes the necessary provisions concerning supervision, oversight, and the rules & regulations authority of the Board. Under our current agency structure, the Board could promptly organize a professional council and begin to regulate the Anesthesiologist Assistant profession.

The Board remains neutral on the passage of HB2368, and I am available in person today to answer any questions from the committee. Should you have any questions after the meeting, please feel free to contact me at 785-296-3680.

Sincerely,

Susan Gile
Executive Director

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