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Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee  
Glenda DuBoise, AARP Kansas  
Proponent Written Testimony  
Senate Bill 3

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Good morning, Chair Gossage and Members of the Committee,

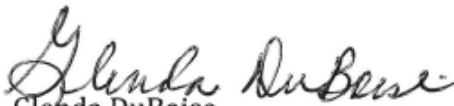
My name is Glenda DuBoise, and I am the State Director for AARP Kansas. Thank you for allowing us to provide written testimony in support of SB3.

AARP is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that works across Kansas to strengthen communities and advocate for issues that matter most to seniors and their families, such as healthcare, retirement savings, and protection from abuse or financial exploitation. We have more than 278,000 members in Kansas and were strong advocates for the original passage of the Kansas Lay Caregivers Act.

This implementation of this act has allowed a patient or the patient's legal guardian the ability to designate a caregiver to the hospital prior to discharge, ensuring that the designee is alerted to the patient's discharge or transfer, and any applicable instructions for aftercare.

AARP Kansas and its members supports any efforts to uphold the intent of the enacted legislation, whether through an annual audit or other mechanism that aligns with HIPPA standards, that adequately addresses the oversight and enforcement of the Kansas Lay Caregiver Act.

Kind Regards,

  
Glenda DuBoise  
State Director, AARP Kansas