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IN-PERSON TESTIMONY TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

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Chairwoman Gossage and members of the Committee:

My name is Dr. Festus Krebs III and I spent the last week studying TB stats from Kansas and other states. At least 60% of patients with Tuberculosis disease in the US were born in another country. We all know that the US just experienced the illegal migration of millions of medically unexamined and unprocessed persons. It is therefore highly likely that the many new TB cases in Kansas are due to the massive influx of these immigrants who arrived with active TB infection and spread it to the citizens of Kansas.

The Secretary of Health is required by law to perform epidemiological investigation into such probabilities and report to the people of Kansas. Why then are there no TB investigation results available on the Department of Health website for 2024 or 25? Have these studies been done? We must know if these many new cases of TB were in US citizens, and did the persons complete the entire 3-4 month course of treatment? Were these persons quarantined by the Secretary if they refused to

complete the course of curative medications and have a clearing medical exam?

If the Secretary of Health did not use the power of forced quarantine on these mostly undocumented persons who are bringing and spreading a potentially lethal disease to the citizens of Kansas, they why would the Secretary of Health be trusted with the power of forced quarantine over our own citizens? SB29 rectifies this problem for the citizens of Kansas.

Thank you for your time.

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