

Chairman Beverly Gossage
Senate Committee on Public Health
Kansas State Capitol
300 SW 10th Ave.
Topeka, KS 66612

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RE: Testimony in **SUPPORT** of SB 250 – Kansas Right to Try Act

Chairman Gossage & Members of the Committee:

Go home and make memories,

These are words no parent should ever have to hear. It was October 1st when I found myself in the Emergency Room in Kansas City, after just finding out my oldest daughter has a DIPG brain tumor. She was just 7 years old. The Dr. had just come in to tell us our prognosis. 6-9 months life expectancy and no options for removal. There are no treatments and the standard of care is radiation alone. The Dr. said, go home and go make memories, no child has ever been cured of this.

I found myself in the following few weeks searching all ends of the internet looking for treatments. I came upon multiple treatment options that were all in various stages of their clinical trials. Some treatments even touted 100% response rate in clinical settings. So I called every option and begged every Dr. to allow these things to be given to my daughter and I received all the same answers. They are not FDA authorized to give to your daughters condition and we have to follow the rules. I ran into this over and over again, some Dr's and Scientists even promised me they knew it would help but they can't risk their careers.

I would ask for your support of this Bill to possibly save a Kansas life. When time is of the essence and the terminal diagnosis is already given, Hope rings in some of the treatments that are tied up in legalities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jayson Kaufman