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Date: March 7, 2025
To: Sen. Beverly Gossage
Senate Committee on Public Health & Welfare
Re: HB 2280, Kansas EMS Modernization

I am writing to express my support for HB 2280. This legislation will bring the scope of practice up to date for EMS providers in Kansas. Over the years technology and evidence-based medicine has advanced greatly. This resulted in challenges of statutes not aligning with the current best practices of care..

This bill will also lay the initial groundwork for being able to advance the emergency medical services profession going forward. EMS providers will have the ability to refer or transport to alternate care sites and enhance Mobile Integrated Healthcare. These are vitally important as it reduces the overloaded demand in hospitals and improves healthcare costs.

Additionally, the bill includes approval of an automated process for the existing AED registry. This new process will make it less of a burden in several ways.

- Easier for the AED owner to register.
- Eliminates the need for the owner to file a paper form. This form must be filed with the local ambulance service and then sent to the 911 center for manual entry.
- Use the existing automated interface to the 911 center computer.
- Allow for real time updates so the 911 center can tell a caller exactly where the AED is.

Thank you for allowing me to express my support for HB 2280.

Respectfully,

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