

Testimony concerning SB 322
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
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Chairwoman Gossage and Members of the Committee:

The Kansas State Board of Pharmacy respectfully submits this neutral testimony on SB 322 concerning K-TRACS, the Kansas Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. **The Board has not adopted any regulations related to K.S.A. 65-1682(c).**

K-TRACS Overview:

K-TRACS is a potent tool in aiding in the identification of patients with drug-seeking behaviors, providing treatment, and educating the public. Each dispenser (pharmacy) is required to electronically submit information to K-TRACS for each controlled substance prescription or drug of concern dispensed in an outpatient setting. If a prescriber or a pharmacist has a concern about a patient, they can look up the patient's prescription history in K-TRACS. Because K-TRACS is a real-time, web-based system, patient information can be obtained instantly from any location at any time with the proper login credentials. Prescribers and pharmacists must register for K-TRACS through the Board prior to using the system.

History of K.S.A. 65-1682:

- The proposed stricken language in SB 322 was adopted by the Kansas Legislature in 2022 to authorize the Board to add K-TRACS delegate roles by administrative regulation.
- Kansas prescribers, including those on the K-TRACS Advisory Committee, requested the Board allow licensed addiction counselors, licensed clinical addiction counselors, and licensed master's addiction counselors to access the K-TRACS database as "delegates" of said prescribers. On May 8, 2025, the Board published a Notice of Public Hearing for proposed K.A.R. 68-21-8, based upon these requests.
- On June 10, 2025, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations (JCARR) reviewed the proposed regulation and provided the following report to the Board:

The Committee finds delegation of access to K-TRACS to addiction counselors, who are not primary health care providers, persons who investigate deaths, and others specifically authorized by KSA 65-1685(c), to be a matter of policy on which the Legislature should act and will consider revocation of KSA 65-1682(c)(3) and related changes in additional statutes.

- On July 10, 2025, the Board held the noticed public hearing. No public comments were received. In response to the JCARR report, the Board declined to adopt the proposed regulation.

Respectfully submitted.