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## HOUSE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE January 18, 2012 HB 2094

The Kansas City Kansas Public School District opposes the passage of HB 2094.

We do support the exemptions for childhood inoculations that are currently listed in the Kansas statutes. Exemptions for a child who is a member of a religious denomination whose teachings are opposed to inoculations and exemptions based on a physician's written statement that such inoculations would endanger the life or health of a child, we believe are reasonable and appropriate.

HB 2094, however, allows a parent to decline any or all required inoculations. It is our opinion that the passage of HB 2094 would, in effect, eliminate inoculation requirements in the State of Kansas. We are fearful that this proposed exemption has the potential to expose many more Kansas school children to serious and unnecessary health risks.

For this reason, USD 500 requests the House Health & Human Services Committee to reject HB 2094.

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