

# **KANSAS STATE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

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**TESTIMONY PRESENTED TO THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
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Thank you Mr. Chair for the opportunity to testify in favor of Senate Bill 466 on behalf of the Kansas State Ophthalmological Society.

It is our recommendation that the bill be accepted in its current form and would ask to have the opportunity to review any potential amendments.

Ophthalmologists are pleased to provide a service to their patients by completing the forms necessary for them to obtain their driver's license. When a patient develops a condition which makes it unsafe for him or her to operate a vehicle, we hope to prevent harm to the patient and to the public through a thorough medical evaluation and reporting.

In order to insure that M.D.s will continue to perform this service, it is important to maintain the language pertaining to the immunity from civil action and the voluntary nature of reporting.

If the committee requires and further information regarding ophthalmology or the details of eye examinations relating to driver's licenses, we would be happy to answer them.