## March 17, 2021

## In support of SB 212

## To Chairman Hilderbrand and Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Members:

I write to you today asking that you please vote to pass SB 212 out of committee.

I'm a born and raised Kansas mother and together with my husband am raising our 6 children. We have a gnawing concern in the pits of our stomachs that one day our children will be forced to receive the latest and greatest vaccine simply to attend school.

We can see the writing on the wall as dozens of well-intentioned friends, neighbors and family members line up to receive their 100% experimental COVID vaccines. The day is quickly approaching when all of the elderly and even young adults will have had their chance at the new and unproven vaccine, when there will arrive a choreographed and calculated assertion that school age children must be the next to be vaccinated against this illness which poses no actual threat to them.

The governor will declare this as a priority and her appointees at the KDHE will use their unchecked authority to make it so. It won't matter what the science says, it won't matter what us parents say, it will be between pharmaceutical lobbyists and any bureaucrat willing to be paid off.

So please, we beg you to take back the authority to add vaccines from the childhood schedule. We would ultimately prefer to make these decisions on our own as a family with counsel from our health care team. Until that day comes, we'd rather our own elected and culpable representatives and senators weigh the benefits and inevitable risks of additional vaccines for Kansas children.

Thank you for your time and for your service to the citizens of the great state of Kansas.

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