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SENATE BILL No. 308

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; creating the healthcare 1 2 individual rights affirmation act; mandating access to public places for 3 individuals without facial coverings or vaccinations; requiring 4 physicians to prescribe certain medications for off-label uses if 5 requested by patients. 6 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: Section 1. (a) This act shall be known and may be cited as the 8 9 healthcare individual rights affirmation act (HIRAA). 10 (b) An individual shall not be denied access to a place accessible to 11 the general public because of such person's decision to wear or not wear a 12 face covering. 13 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an individual shall not be denied housing or refused access to a place accessible to the general 14 public, or in any way separated from others in a place accessible to the 15 general public, because of such person's decision to receive or not receive 16 17 a vaccination. 18 (d) A physician shall prescribe a drug that has been approved by the 19 federal food and drug agency for an off-label use of such prescription 20 drug to a patient if such physician: 21 (1) Has conducted an in-person examination of such patient and a 22 consultation with such patient or such patient's legal representative; and 23 (2) receives a written request from such patient, or such patient's legal 24 representative. 25 (e) The provisions of subsection (d) shall not apply to "controlled 26 substances" as defined in K.S.A. 65-5701, and amendments thereto. 27 (f) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a physician is 28 immune from civil liability for damages, administrative fines or penalties 29 for acts, omissions, healthcare decisions or the rendering of or the failure 30 to render healthcare services if such physician is acting pursuant to 31 subsection (d). 32 (2) Actions taken by a physician pursuant to subsection (d) shall not 33 be considered unprofessional conduct as defined in K.S.A. 65-2837, and 34 amendments thereto. 35 This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its Sec. 2. 36 publication in the statute book.