

February 16, 2023  
Proponent Testimony  
SB219  
Oral –Webex Person Testimony

Dear Honorable Senator Gossage and Committee Members of Public Health and Welfare,

My name is Carol Daunis. I am a Precinct Committee Woman in Johnson County.

- Ethically speaking, the question I would like you contemplate is, “**Is it a human fetus OR a human being?**”
- Most academic philosophers argue that the fetus should be considered part of the human species, as it shares our genetic code, and, if unimpeded in its development, will grow and mature into an adult human being. It has a heartbeat, so it is alive and growing.
- If you are unsure then consider that now due to advanced medical technology, if a pregnant mother loses a child or delivers their baby even as early as 22 weeks, many organs are formed and the baby has the ability to survive outside the womb, thanks to amazing advances in medical technologies.
- If the fetus is a ‘**person**’, then it should be accorded the **same rights and privileges as those enjoyed by adult human beings.**
- Abortion is morally as serious as terminating the life of an adult human being, as both an adult and a fetus are people.
- **Under no circumstances should I or any other taxpayer will be required to pay and subsidize abortion clinics! Therefore, no abortion clinic should be allowed to purchase insurance through the Healthcare Stabilization Fund.**
- Your constituents elect you, in our KS Senate to represent us. That means not only listening to us but voting accordingly in favor of what we believe is in our best interests.
- Our KS Constitution was founded on January 29, 1861. Our government back then realized how important it was to listen to “We The People” in KS. I noticed upon entering the capital recently that there is a plaque which references “We the People” when our KS Constitution was founded on January 29, 1861.
- Can we count on each of you to do the same as they did in the 1800’s by voting in favor of this bill?

Please vote your conscience and according to your moral code, say YES to SB219.

Thank you for listening to me today.

Respectfully yours,

Carol Daunis  
Precinct Committee Woman

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**The single talking point for this bill is that under no circumstance should taxpayer money be used to subsidize abortion clinics. Therefore, no abortion clinic should be allowed to purchase insurance through the Healthcare Stabilization Fund.**