

Honorable Beverly Gossage
Chair, Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
Kansas Capitol, Room 142 South
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Re: Written NEUTRAL testimony, SB 352

Dear Chairwoman Gossage and Committee:

My name is Debra Mize from Overland Park and a member of Kansans for Health Freedom. I am writing to express my neutral testimony of SB352.

It expressly grieves me not to be able to fully support this bill. During Covid I had to sit with and advise many people and their loved ones whose constitutional rights were being violated. Not only were these people denied final minutes with their loved one but they were denied any say in their course of treatment. To this day I cannot fathom a medical industry so powerful that it seized our government, our medical personnel and our elected officials.

How did this happen? Hospitals, care facilities, and other institutions succumbed to an unreasonable fear as chaos and propaganda seized our world.

There were millions of victims but, for me, I personally walked with many people such as my friend Peggy Stringer whose husband was denied proper care and, Peggy, who was denied the right to spend the last minutes of her husband's life with him. We must learn from our mistakes! Never again should an industry have such control over the people of this state.

While SB352 begins to address the concerns of those who were denied the basic rights, I find that under subsections (3) of this bill, the same facilities will, indeed, again, be given the right to create policies and procedures to do it again.

I cannot support a bill that legalizes and gives permission to these facilities that have proven they cannot be trusted. This bill will force the public to accept, again, their masking requirements, their retina scans, their limited times of visitation or other requirements that these facilities could impose in the future, including a vaccine or other medical procedures.

I would submit that SB352, as set forth as a patient's bill of rights, should be approved by this Committee but not without amendments that would prevent the aforementioned atrocities. I fear that if this bill passes in its current state very little will be accomplished, and we will have provided cover for those that mistreated my friends, Peggy and John Stringer. I urge you to reconsider all ramifications of this bill and add the necessary amendments to protect the citizens of Kansas.

Respectfully,
Debbie Mize
Overland Park, Kansas