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**Proponent Testimony re: HB 2514, Part-time Enrollment**

**Committee on K-12 Education Budget**

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Chairwoman Williams and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity today to submit proponent testimony on behalf of HB 2514. This bill makes it clear to every Kansas family that all courses offered at Kansas public schools are available to every Kansas student. Covid-19 has caused a disruption never seen in our public schools, and as a result, many families are seeking an alternative to our traditional approach. A one-size-fits-all education system does not work for everyone, and the flaws in the system have become glaringly apparent over the last two years in Kansas and all over the United States.

This bill is a major step in ensuring that Kansas families outside of the traditional school system view their public schools as both partners and an asset to their children, even if they don't choose to be there 100% of the time. These families who have chosen a different path pay for these schools, and deserve access to any courses they deem appropriate for their children. This bill explicitly clarifies they have access to these already existing resources in public schools.

No one understands the unique learning needs of their child like a parent. Allowing families to make decisions regarding their children's education will ensure that children receive the highest quality education, tailored specifically to the needs of each individual student. HB 2514 is a move in the right direction, and I hope this committee moves it forward.

Thank you for your time.

Craig Hulse

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