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Written testimony presented to the

Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Senate Bill 83

Senator Hilderbrand and members of the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare, Safe Kids Kansas is pleased to provide testimony in support of SB 83. Safe Kids Kansas is a nonprofit coalition of statewide organizations, agencies and businesses dedicated to preventing unintentional injuries and injury-related death to Kansas children ages 0-19.

As injury prevention specialists and safety advocates, Safe Kids Kansas and our partners rely on data from the Child Death Review Board to understand how injury-related deaths are occurring in Kansas. This data is important, as it helps us to effectively focus our efforts on prevention strategies. We support SB 83 in allowing data collected by the Kansas Child Death Review Board to be shared with contracted parties to provide research in a confidential and respectful manner so the data can be used to prevent the deaths of additional Kansas children, and suffering by Kansas families.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony. Only through understanding how these deaths occur can we predict and prevent them in the future. Should you have any questions on this subject matter or any children's safety issues at any time, please feel free to contact our Legislative Liaison, Phyllis Larimore, at 913-314-5952.

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Attachment: Safe Kids Kansas Member Organizations





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Kansas School Nurses Organization (KSNO) Kansas State Association of Fire Chiefs Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) Kansas State Child Death Review Board Kansas State Firefighters Association Kansas State Nurses Association Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office (KTSRO) **KIDS Network** KidsAndCars.com University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC): **Burn Center Emergency Services** Trauma Services National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) Regional Office Office of the Governor - Constituent Services Office of the State Fire Marshal Safety & Health Council of Western MO & KS State Capitol Area Fire Fighters Association State Farm Insurance Companies Stormont-Vail Health United School Administrators of Kansas Ascension Via Christi St. Francis Burn Center Trauma Center Wesley Medical Center

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