

Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

SB 391

Proponent Testimony

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Dear Honorable Chairwoman Gossage and Members of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee,

I strongly urge your support of Senate Bill 391 – the Constitutional Right to Health Freedom Act.

We are struggling with the increasingly adverse consequences of the mandates, lockdowns, and quarantines that were authorized by the Secretary of Health and other local health officials since March 2020. Consequences on public health, the economy and other functions of society have all contributed to the avalanche of “gene therapy redefined as vaccination”- related physical (even if ignored by such officials but not by the physicians who treat them) and mental illnesses in both adults and children.

It is long past time to end such government overreach and protect the health freedoms of Kansans – the freedom to choose individual bodily autonomy and sovereignty.

By all means these officials can recommend actions, but many illogical and non-scientific actions (certainly when compared to my medical and public health training and experience many years ago) were instituted during this time under dubious re-definitions of “public health emergency” and “Emergency Use Authorization” therapies. This fiat authority given to the Secretary of Health and environment and local health officials must be overturned. There also needs to be much more accountability and penalties for violations of any such recommendations.

I would appreciate your support of Senate Bill 391.

Sincerely,

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