

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF  
HOUSE BILL 2324 – PRO-LIFE HEARTBEAT PROTECTION BILL**

Chairman Arlen Siegfried and Committee Members  
House Federal and State Affairs Committee  
Kansas House of Representatives  
RE: HB 2324 – Pro-Life Heartbeat Protection Bill

Honorable Chair and Committee Members;

My wife, Lindsey, and I live in Salina and farm in Eastern Saline County. We would like to submit our written testimony in support of HB 2324 for consideration by the committee.

We have two young children (ages four and two). The first time I heard the small, fast, heartbeat of our unborn daughter was a moment I will not forget. It is difficult for me to imagine that anyone who heard that small heartbeat could not define it as life. Since that moment, this issue of aborting unborn children has become even more important to our hearts.

We have read this bill and done some research on it as well. It seems there has been due diligence put into its language and we fully support prohibiting an abortion after a detectable heartbeat of the unborn child is present, with the exception being a medical emergency in which the procedure is necessary to preserve the health of the mother.

We understand legislation such as this is likely to receive legal challenge upon passage. However, based on our research, we feel it has high likelihood of meeting a legal challenge as it has been drafted with input from attorneys with legal experience in the appellate courts dealing with this issue.

Kansas has a rich heritage of serving as a moral compass and “heart” of our Nation on tough moral issues. The passage of this bill would again allow us to lead our country in the right direction on this issue.

We humbly ask you to support HB 2324 and send the Pro Life Heartbeat Protection Bill on to the full House for action. Thank you for considering our input.

Sincerely,

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