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My name is Bob Williams Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Osteopathic Medicine (KAOM). KAOM is in support of all provisions of HB 2169.

It is important to note that, while the Kansas Hospital Association has graciously agreed to take the lead on this very important piece of legislation, the contents of HB 2169 were discussed and agreed upon by a large group of health care providers ranging from nursing homes to osteopathic physicians.

Concerns with the administration of the KanCare program have been an issue for health care providers for a several years. HB 2169 provides for a number of necessary reforms for KanCare. These reforms provide for payment integrity and protections for health care providers; standardization for denial of claims and prior authorizations; and data transparency.

We encourage the committee to support HB 2169.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Thank you.

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