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Kansas Association of Community College Trustees

## **Kansas Community College Testimony in Support of and Requesting inclusion in SB 284**

Thank you for the opportunity today to testify in support of SB 284. Kansas Community Colleges support the K-12 system, both unified school districts and interlocal cooperatives, being able to request a disability placard for school district vehicles. This provides options for students to be transported in a school vehicle and have the benefit of being able to utilize handicap parking spaces. This bill will allow the school district to request a disability placard to better serve students. Community Colleges request a friendly amendment to allow the same opportunity for Kansas community college students and staff when being transported by or in a college vehicle.

Often our staff may be driving a student and must park in a less than ideal non-handicap space to unload the student and then go park and come back to meet the student. We can foresee many situations where being able to request a handicap placard could provide better access to both community college students and staff. Thank you for considering this friendly amendment request for inclusion in SB 284.

*(g) The director of vehicles shall issue a permanent placard to any school district, ~~or~~ interlocal cooperative, **or community college** upon application to the director. Such placard shall only be used when transporting a pupil who others qualifies pursuant to this section for a placard or license plate.*

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