

Dear Chairman Concannon and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Kansas who is requesting your yes vote on senate bill 276, our Blind parents rights bill. This important proposed legislation addresses a long-standing problem with blind parents losing the opportunity to raise their children in peace only because of their blindness or very limited eyesight. Without this package of guaranteed legal rights, blind parents will continue to face unwarranted obstacles and will continue to be denied the opportunity to raise and care for children in various situations such as adoptions, foster care placement, guardianship, and court cases involving child custody and visitation. Therefore, I call upon you and your colleagues to vote yes on the bill before February 24, after which time the bill must move to the House.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter of utmost importance to me.

Sincerely,

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