

March 22, 2021

Re: SB 212

To the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee,

This past year we have witnessed state health departments across the country making numerous decisions without performing proper due diligence and listening to all available science. These hasty decisions have contributed to increased deaths, poor health outcomes, unemployment, business closures, increased mental health issues, and more. Many doctors, scientists, and health officials have been censored this year when their data and scientific proof did not fit the mainstream narrative. It seems clear that when making public health decisions, it's imperative to undergo legislative review and a proper vote. This process ensures that we hear scientific evidence from multiple sides rather than one.

I am writing to ask you to please consider supporting SB 212. With more and more vaccines being developed, it is important to fully consider all science before adding new vaccinations to the childhood required schedules. As we have seen this year, it is so important to take large public health decisions like these out of the hands of a single, unelected, biased official. This bill would promote increased accountability, research, and scientific data. We must protect and promote the health and safety of our children. Please support this bill.

Thank you,

Liz Harrison, a Kansas resident and advocate

