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## **UnitedHealthcare Written Testimony in Opposition to Senate Bill 300**

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Madam Chair and Members of the Committee, my name is Kevin Sparks, CEO of UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Kansas. Over the last five years, UnitedHealthcare has been honored to serve over 130,000 Kansas across the State through KanCare. These individuals range from newborn babies, the disabled, frail and elderly and represent some of the most medically and socially complex cases that exist in the state.

To serve these members and our state and provider partners, UnitedHealthcare employs over 180 staff members dedicated to Kansas. UnitedHealthcare staff has worked every single day to provide members with the highest quality care and experience, earning recognition as “commendable” from the National Center for Quality Assurance.

The KanCare program has also provided a platform to give back to the people and communities of Kansas. Through collaborative partnerships with members, providers and state agencies, United has donated over \$3.5 million dollars directly in the support of Kansans.

UnitedHealthcare recognizes the legislature’s desire to provide input on the KanCare program. It should be noted that a single year extension of the current contract will require a CMS approval process that would likely last longer than a year, thereby creating insecurity for the 400,000 Kansans covered by the program. Therefore, UnitedHealthcare is opposed to the current language of SB300 for the reason stated above.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Kansas, our employees, and I are committed to the State of Kansas and appreciate the opportunity to provide input and testimony on SB300.