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## **Proponent Testimony of SB 157:** Creating presumptions related to temporary parenting plans and defining related terms under the Kansas family law code.

Do you support shared parenting? The presumption that both parents who are fit, willing and able should have equal time with the children after divorce. *Yes* 

<u>Why do you think shared parenting is needed?</u> To allow the children an opportunity to be supported in time and resources by both parents... equally!!

Do you currently have 50/50 shared parenting? Yes

<u>Will SB 157 if passed directly help you or a family member? SB 157 will give fit, willing and able parents 50/50 time</u> <u>in TEMPORARY orders</u>. Yes

What has been your experience with Kansas Family Law Courts? Negative, had residential custody reversed without proof of any impropriety

What family law court was your case in (County)? Sedgwick

How much money have you spent on lawyers and other professionals to be a parent in your children's life? 10000

How would your life be different if a shared parenting 50/50 law was in place when your case went to court? *The adversarial condition that all separated parents must navigate in the case would be minimized....* 

What bias or unfairness have you seen or experienced in KANSAS family law or courts? As an advocate for families for the past 12 years, the clear pattern of female focused systems of care and the unsupported assumptions that males are less than competent parents has led to the myriad of societal ills and the 24 million kids going to bed without the biological father in the home...

Do you agree with the Domestic Violence provision AS WRITEN? If no, how would you change it? *Yes* 

Do you agree with the Temporary Orders provision AS WRITTEN? If no, how would you change it? *Yes* 

What else do you want people to know about shared parenting? The disparity in the time spent has caused much psychological and mental anguish for my children.. unnecessarily...

Does the National Parents Organization have permission to use your testimony in support of SB 157 or similar legislation for shared parenting? If YES, type your FULL name below: **Dennis Lee Fontelroy**