



To: Senate Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee

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Subject: SB 282; Enacting the patient's right-to-know act; relating to disclosure of charge estimates and insurance coverage descriptions for healthcare services

Opponent Testimony (Written Only)

Chairman Olson and other members of this committee thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 282; enacting the patient's right-to-know act; relating to disclosure of charge estimates and insurance coverage descriptions for healthcare services.

I represent the Kansas Chiropractic Association and more than 1,100 licensed Doctors of Chiropractic in Kansas who work hard to deliver safe, effective, and affordable care to the citizens of Kansas.

From a provider's perspective, SB 281; enacting the healthcare price disclosure act, addresses the same issues that SB 282 would, but in a less complicated and less burdensome manor for providers.

As an example, under SB 281 a prospective patient in my office would be given a chart showing all the exam and treatment codes that I am likely to use along with a direct-pay cost in plain language that they could use to compare costs with any other physical medicine provider. Under SB 282 a prospective patient would be given an estimate for a new patient exam and told that a treatment plan cannot be proposed until after the exam has been completed.

We feel that from a provider's perspective, SB 281 accomplishes everything SB 282 would and in a more elegant manner.

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