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**Testimony re: COVID extension legislation
House Judiciary Committee
Presented by Ronald R. Hein
on behalf of
Kansas Advanced Practice Nurses Association
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Mister Chairman, Members of the Committee:

My name is Ron Hein, and I am legislative counsel for the Kansas Advanced Practice Nurses Association (KAPN). KAPN represents Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) in Kansas.

2020 Special Session HB 2016 in Section 23(b) authorized Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) to provide their professional services “without direction and supervision from a responsible physician”.

We support extension of this provision in order to allow APRNs to continue to provide such services during the course of the COVID pandemic.

Thank you for allowing me to submit this written testimony.