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Chairperson Ronald Ryckman
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 370-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Ryckman,

As chairperson of the Senior Care Task Force, I respectfully request Legislative Coordinating Council (LCC) approval for one meeting day during the 2022 Interim in addition to the two meeting days approved previously.

Pursuant to KSA 39-7,163, the Senior Care Task Force is to study the provision of care for seniors in the state of Kansas who suffer from Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or other age-related mental health conditions; the administration of antipsychotic medications to adult care home residents; the safeguards to prevent abuse, neglect, and exploitation of seniors in the state of Kansas; adult care home surveys and fines; the funding and implementation of the Kansas Senior Care Act; senior daycare resources in Kansas; and the rebalancing of home and community based services. KSA 39-7,163(e) requires the Senior Care Task Force to submit a final report to the Legislature that details the Task Force's study on or before the beginning of the 2023 regular session.

The complexity of the subject matters before the Task Force and the need for the full Task Force membership to consider the recommendations crafted by Task Force Working Groups necessitated use of the entirety of the two 2022 Interim meeting days previously approved by the LCC. An additional meeting day will allow the Task Force to finalize and vote on recommendations to the 2023 Legislature as required in statute.

I respectfully request approval from the LCC for an additional meeting day to be held on October 25, 2022. Should the LCC not meet before October 1, 2022, your approval is requested, pursuant to LCC Policy 20, to allow a meeting on October 25, 2022.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Richard Hilderbrand by LLT

Senator Richard Hilderbrand, Chairperson
Senior Care Task Force

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
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