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Organ Transplant Nondiscrimination	-Autism Self- Advocacy Network Toolkit -NDSC/NDSS resources -Research other state bills -Reach out to other advocates who have passed the bill to learn about the issues they had to navigate (NDAC; #321Advocate social media groups to help identify people) - Identify model bill (Maryland bill as model for Legislative Scribe) -Identify potential opposition	-Use my one-pager as my oral committee testimony; change ask to support this legislation and personal thoughts about my own daughter who has checked organ donation on her government ID but might not be allowed to receive a transplant -Rachel to provide written testimony (her one-pager) She did not want to miss school to testify.	-Disability Rights Kansas (DRC) (help work with Legislative Scribe to draft bill), assist with finding oral and written testimony) -Mental Health Alliance of KS -Kansas DD Council -Autism orgs in Kansas -Outreach to DS orgs across Kansas - Solicit oral and/or written testimony from self- advocates, parents of children w/IDD -Solicit letters of support from Children's Hospital DS Clinic & Adult Down Syndrome Clinic; state DS groups, NDSC, NDSS	-Secured legislator to introduce and carry bill in House- -DRC helped secure Senate sponsor -Reached out to my legislators and others we have relationships with - Oral testimony at committee & Rachel submitted written testimony -Follow-up with opposition* -Follow-up and follow-up again on bill status *Our only opposition was one committee member who held up bill questions; we answered & he then supported bill questions and he also supported	-Email thank you to sponsors & my legislators -Post pictures on social media; tag legislators, organizations, and individuals -Bill passes (maybe not the first or even the second try)! -Celebrate with ceremonial signing by Governor (lots of social media coverage)

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