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Hello, perhaps this inquiry could be forwarded to Senator Jane Nelson, thank-you.  
I am writing to inquire if Airline Pilots are also being deregulated in the USA? Deregulating Respiratory Care Practitioners in your state is akin to deregulating airline pilots federally. Both operate life support systems with highly regulated machines, instruments and the public places a high reliance on trust and competence that the operator(s) know what they are doing. One group is federally regulated while the other is state regulated. In my view the recent proposal containing a recommendation to discontinue the regulation of respiratory care practitioners in your lovely state defies common public protection logic. There must be some alternate public regulation regulatory mechanism being proposed? Relying on a national voluntary credentialing corporation in the State of Kansas seems pretty risky to me.

Regrettably,  
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