

SENATE COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL NO: SB 43

SPONSOR: Fitzwater

HEARING DATE: 1/29/2025

COMMITTEE: Families, Seniors and Health	
CHAIRMAN: Carter	
DATE REFERRED: 1/16/2025	DATE HEARING REQUESTED: 1/17/2025

STAFF:

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WITNESSES GIVING INFORMATION:

Mary Chant - MO Coalition for Children
Lara Underwood
Leanne Reese - Missouri Court Appointed Special Advocate Assoc.
Eric Jennings - Judicial Conference of Missouri

WITNESSES FOR:

Natalece Washington - National Association of Counsel for Children
John Pollock - National Coalition for a Civil Right to Counsel
Matt Hale - Children's Permanency Partnership
Alex Eatua - The Center for Rights and Abused Children
David Winton - Family Forward, BJC Healthcare
Lisa Weiss - Missouri Appleseed
Marcia Hazelhorst - Missouri Juvenile Justice Assoc.
Madison Eacret - FosterAdopt Connect

WITNESSES AGAINST:

Lisa Pannett - ArmourVine

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