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Sound Policy Needed

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I applaud the Capital-Journal editorial on newly appointed House Speaker Melvin Neufeld which recommended the discontinuation of divisive political labels and encouraged the new house leadership to work for sound policy in Kansas.

Speaker-elect Neufeld has stated that his goal is to enact sound public policy in the legislature. One area where Neufeld believes public policy reform is necessary is health care. So does The Flint Hills Center for Public Policy which has published numerous studies about the precarious state of Medicaid funding in Kansas. It is high time that action be taken to bring about policy reforms which will improve the delivery of health care and empower the individual consumer.

We applaud Melvin Neufeld for bringing attention to this issue and for being an advocate for sound public policy. Such policy will be well served by the absence of divisive labeling in the media and legislative leadership on critical issues such as health care.

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