

Chairwoman Manchester, Vice Chair Cutrona, Ranking Member Denson, and Members of the House Families, Aging, and Human Services Committee – thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on HB 496.

Hello,

We are very concerned about our midwife. We want to be able to provide protection for our midwives. We think it really, really, REALLY necessary for them to carry medications, be able to order labs, and ultrasounds, etc. As we live in a rural community that is not near any hospital and our fastest route to one is 30 minutes minimum.

Thank you so much for understanding.

Sincerely,

Ephraim and Elsie Mast