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Written Support Testimony for SubHB73

Chairman Cutrona, Vice Chair Gross, Ranking Member Somani, and members of the Health Provider Services Committee, thank you for allowing me to provide supporting testimony for HB 73; the Dave and Angie Patient and Health Provider Protection Act,

Thank you for your consideration of HB 73. I work in an outpatient setting that is owned by a hospital system. It is imperative to maintain the intent of the bill for outpatient and inpatient healthcare settings. I had to leave my position at a different healthcare system due to the vaccine mandate, but also because I felt my hands were tied in not being able to prescribe certain medications, like Ivermectin, for Covid that could benefit the patient. My previous hospital system sent out an email specifically telling us not to prescribe this medication as off label use for Covid. We have been prescribing medications in an off-label manner for years, but Covid changed all that. We need to be able to do what is best for the patient in the outpatient and inpatient setting.

Please vote yes on SubHB73. Thank you!

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