Chairman Huffman, Vice Chair Johnson, and Members of the Senate Health Committee, thank you for hearing my support testimony for HB 73, The Dave & Angie Patient and Health Provider Protection Act.

I am writing to you to express my strong support of HB 73. As the mother of an adult son with complicated & ongoing medical issues I have learned & experienced first hand off-label medications can help with medical issues they initially were never considered to help. Experienced doctors should be able to use medications at their discretion when they understand how and when they can help. Far too many people were denied safe and effective medications during covid due to political underhanded reasons. People lost their lives because of this. Governments around the world denied people an old safe medication - Ivermectin. This should have never happened. People were forced to take an experimental injection and we are seeing a long list of medical problems people have experienced because of it. People should have the right to access any medication their doctor sees fit. Doctors should not be sanctioned or punished for trying to save lives. We must learn from mistakes made during covid and do better moving forward. Therefore, I strongly urge the committee to vote YES on HB 73.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely, Andrea Keller Canfield