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Chairman Uecker, Vice Chairman Wilson, Ranking Member Thomas and members of the Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans' Affairs Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testimony in opposition to SB 148 today. My name is Dr. Tom Vogel and I have been a practicing chiropractic physician for 31 years. I currently practice at Wells Chiropratic in Cincinnati. I have treated well over 6000 patients in my 31 years of practice.

In the past three to four years, I have specialized in patients who were involved in automobile accidents. A majority of these patients have never been to a chiropractic physician and had no idea that our profession is 100% drug free. Most of the auto accident patients that we see have already been to the hospital and have been given medication (painkillers/muscle relaxants). My job is to help them get off the drugs as soon as possible and return them to pre-accident health status.

Not allowing telephone communication from our office to occur after the trauma limits the choices that can be made by the injured party. More patients will end up using and potentially abusing prescription narcotics without information on the drug free chiropractic option. I have had a considerable number of patients thank me for being contacted and given another choice for treatment other than drugs.

It is for this reason that I oppose SB 148. Thank you for your time and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.