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TO: Commerce and Labor Committee

Subject: HB81

I am writing to ask the Committee to add an exemption to HB81 for practitioners of Feldenkrais and Trager Massage Therapy to HB81.

I am the parent of a man with developmental disabilities who has received many Feldenkrais and Trager sessions over the years. The benefits he has received include improved range of motion, trunk stability, tone and core strength. These therapies have enabled him to continue to lead the least restrictive life we all want and that is very important to someone who is predominantly wheelchair bound.

While my son's practitioners hold licenses to touch, I do recognize the importance of these modalities and support the inclusion of an exception in HB81 that would allow all Trager and Feldenkrais practitioners to continue their practices without additional requirements.

Thank you for your consideration.

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