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SB 2275 Testimony

Senate Human Services Committee

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Chairwomen Lee members of the Senate Human Services Committee for the record my name is Richard Marcellais Senator from Rolette County District 9.

I am here this morning to testify in favor of SB 2275– relating to providing a director for the task force prevention of sexual abuse of children.

Several states have task force to study and identify strategies for preventing child sexual abuse and provide recommendations in a report to the Governor.

Some of the task force responsibilities are as follows:

- *Community-based child abuse prevention*
- *Professional training and technical assistance*
- *Multi-disciplinary team excellence*
- *Mental health services and treatment*
- *Awareness*
- *Funding*

- *Statutory changes*

These recommendations will help in th creation of future goals and guidelines for state and school policies.

Chairwomen Lee members of the Senate Human Services Committee, I urge Do Pass on Senate Bill 2275.