

2. Due to potential cardiac complications of coronavirus, the American Academy of Pediatrics has published guidelines for more complex evaluation before return to play. Given the large rate of asymptomatic cases, consideration for whether this additional evaluation needs to be done must be given during all sports physicals this year, with understanding and ability to perform this evaluation, interpret the results, and provide appropriate recommendations for those who require it. Missing a cardiac complication in a youth returning to sports could be a fatal mistake.
3. Due to delay in seeking care associated with the pandemic, some North Dakota adolescents are behind in their immunizations. Chiropractors performing sports physicals will either lead to parents needing to make another visit for their child/adolescent to be immunized or children remaining under immunized. Neither of these options seems to be in the best interest of North Dakotan children and families.

Based on these concerns, we would propose an amendment that would remove Section 12 from SB 2060 and renumber the remaining sections.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today. I would be happy to answer any questions.

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