Chairman Longmuir **House Political Subdivision Committee** March 20, 2025

By: Shelly Schwab, Ransom County Recorder

RE: SB2259 Relating to the provision of blanks and records

For the record, I am Shelly Schwab, Ransom County Recorder. I am writing to you today in support SB2259 and would appreciate a DO PASS recommendation. I support the SB2259 for the following reasons:

- Providing blank legal documents subjects recorders to accusations of practicing law without a license and exposing the office to providing the wrong blank documents to individuals.
- Providing blank legal documents could cause an individual to deed incorrect legal descriptions which than could cause them to spend more time and resources on correcting the legal work that would not have happened if they had sought professional assistance.
- And lastly; providing blank legal documents makes it easier for fraudulent activity to occur.

For these reasons I ask for a DO PASS recommendation on SB2259.

Thank you again for your time and consideration.