

TESTIMONY TO:

HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
67TH NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

HB 1044

Chairman Representative Robin Weisz and Committee Members,

I am Paula Moch, Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and Legislative Liaison for the North Dakota Nurse Practitioner Association (NDNPA). I am writing in support of House Bill 1044 Advance Practice Registered Nurse Licensure Compact Bill

NDNPA supports House Bill 1044, Advance Practice Registered Nurse Licensure Compact Bill as written. This bill has many benefits for the residents of North Dakota, many of which have become apparent in our current pandemic situation.

Some benefits of the Compact Licensure:

- The Advance Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) has greater mobility across state lines physically and via telehealth
- Ensures the qualifications of the practitioners meet national standards.
- Streamlined credentialing and licensing process.
- Lessens undue licensure burdens and delays making North Dakota more attractive for relocation.
- This compact agreement aides military families during the relocation process
- Allows for qualified APRNs to fill emergent needs during times of disasters, short staffing, and in underserved rural areas

These are only a few benefits of the APRN Compact Licensure. They are many and numerous to list.

This concludes my written testimony and I am happy to answer any questions in writing or via telephone at your convenience.

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