Dear Human Services Committee:

My name is Rachel Meuchel; I am a school counselor in western ND. Please recommend the passing of Senate Bill 2274 regarding naturopathic medicine. Naturopathic doctors play an important role in healthcare and should be allowed a broad scope of practice in our state. They are highly trained healthcare providers, and preventing them from being able to practice their full scope of training is unacceptable. They should be able to use the right tools at the right time for their patients.

Naturopathic medicine is a desirable option for many North Dakotans, and we want the choice of where our healthcare dollars go and who we see for services. Let's not limit the services that can be offered in our state; instead, let's keep making North Dakota the state with the best quality of living, including our options for healthcare.

Sincerely, Rachel Meuchel