

Written testimony to:

67th Legislative Assembly Senate Industry Business and Labor Committee

HB 1139

Chairman Senator Jerry Klein and Committee Members

I am Paula Moch, a resident of ND and the Legislative Liaison for the North Dakota Nurse Practitioner Association (NDNPA). I am submitting this written testimony on behalf of the NDNPA in support of HB 1139 as written.

The limitations in the amount of morphine milligram equivalents per day, days supply for outpatient transactions is supported by the NDNPA, as safe and effective in helping to reduce opioid dependence and abuse and is standard practice. These limitations are supported by evidence based researchers as appropriate for most acute conditions. The NDNPA appreciates that there was consideration included for special populations of patients who may need increased amounts or extended durations of opioid and benzodiazepine treatment.

This concludes the written testimony of support for HB 1139 on behalf of the NDNPA. I am happy to answer any questions in writing or via telephone.

Thank you for your time.

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