

Chairman Weisz and members of the House Human Services Committee,

My name is Tara Dukart. I am from District 33. I am submitting written testimony **IN FAVOR of House Bill 1406**.

Last year, my family member died in a North Dakota hospital due to complications from the COVID-19 vaccine. He was pressured into receiving the series of shots, because he was told that the experimental injections would “protect his wife.” Now she is a widow.

Here are the facts: North Dakota Health and Human Services (NDHHS) promotes, recommends, and encourages COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters:

<https://www.hhs.nd.gov/news/nddoh-encourages-covid-19-booster-vaccines-all-eligible-adults>

<https://www.hhs.nd.gov/health/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine-information>

However, NDHHS is not liable when a vaccine recipient becomes injured or dies as a result.

I believe that this bill is the first right step toward adequate, long-term safety testing and medical liability of a governmental entity. I urge you to support the passing of House Bill 1406.

Thank you for your service to the state of North Dakota and for working to protect our citizens.

Sincerely,

Tara Dukart

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