



Written Testimony in Support of Bill HBD 1416

My name is Amanda Erickson, I am a physical therapist who owns and works in a small, private practice in Williston, ND. I am in support of HBD 1416 for many reasons. As a mother of 3 small children, I want to have the autonomy to choose who my children and I see for their healthcare needs and not have it based on which insurance I have for our family and the medical experts that are in our network. I feel if we limit the providers that we are able to see for healthcare needs it will decrease the quality of care that we receive. The providers won't have as much competition to keep their schedules full, so the motivation to provider excellent, quality care will decrease. We are becoming a nation full of "freedom of choice" at this point in time, this should not be where we stop with that movement. I urge you to consider passing HBD 1416. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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