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House Human Services

Good Morning Chairman Ruby and Committee Members

For the record, my name is Representative Karen Rohr, and I represent District 31 which includes part of Morton County, all of Grant County and Sioux County and part of Hettinger County.

I stand before you today to introduce HB1519 on behalf of a constituent. This bill relates to the Department of Health and Human Services conducting a time series summary report based on death and vaccination records for each vaccine type for which there are records in the ND Immunization information system and to publish a quarterly summary report on the department website.

Prior to inviting my constituent to come forward and go over the need for the bill and the provisions of the bill, I want to inform the committee that prior to submitting this bill, we met with the ND DHHS Commissioner, the Director of Special Projects and Health Analytics, State Epidemiologist who is also the Health Statistics and Performance Section Director and the Immunization Director to go over the need for the bill, methodology, and man hours required to do the summary report. Changes to the original bill were made based on these conversations.

I stand for questions.

At this time, I would like to introduce David Crane. David is an attorney with Crane and Merriman, PC and has a keen interest in post-marketing vaccine safety surveillance and transparency.

Thank you ~ Representative Karen Rohr