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NORTH DAKOTA

Senate Bill 2226-Residential End-of-Life Facilities

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Chairman Weisz and members of the committee,

My name is Abigail Christiansen with Americans for Prosperity North Dakota. Our organization supports passage of SB 2226 on the principles of free market and adequate healthcare access for all. The intent of this legislation is to provide more care options to patients in a less restrictive environment. The Rockstad Foundation, who you will hear from later today, is a non-profit organization that has taken upon itself to invest in finding policy that creates new solutions in healthcare. This type of innovation is what our country is built upon. After speaking with the Rockstad Foundation, we applaud their efforts to find solutions that will open up the options for all business structures to enter into the market with or without government funds to operate. This effort has been done with innovation and minimal regulation in mind but with an eye squarely focused on the safety of vulnerable adults. This has been achieved by working with many stakeholders, such as Hospice Program Providers and ND state agencies to ensure the parts of our healthcare system that do work well are not disrupted. For these reasons, we urge a DO PASS on SB 2226.

Thank you and I will stand for any questions.

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