

Senate Human Services Committee  
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Good morning, Chairman Lee and Members of the Senate Human Services Committee. I am David Boeck, a State employee and a lawyer for the Protection & Advocacy Project. The Protection & Advocacy Project is an independent state agency that acts to protect people with disabilities from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and advocates for the disability-related rights of people with disabilities.

As a former member of the state Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee (MMAC), I have great interest in the recommendations for legislation from the MMAC's Codes/Services Review sub-committee. I have seen its December 4, 2020 letter to you and to other legislators.

I am impressed with the makeup of the Subcommittee, its analytical process, and its recommendations that led to SB 2224. SB 2224 would address one of two highest priority needs identified for the North Dakota Medicaid program.

P&A enthusiastically supports the Subcommittee's work and SB 2224.