



2021 Senate Bill 2060
Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee
Senator Jerry Klein, Chairman
January 11, 2021

Chairman Klein and members of the Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee, I am Tim Blasl, President of the North Dakota Hospital Association (NDHA). I am here to testify in opposition to 2021 Senate Bill 2060. I ask that you give this bill a **Do Not Pass** recommendation.

Our member hospitals have concerns with section 12 of the bill, which would allow chiropractors to perform sports physicals. To discuss these concerns, I would like to introduce one of our hospital members, Ben Bucher, CEO, Towner County Medical Center in Cando, North Dakota. In addition to being the CEO, Mr. Bucher is also a licensed Family Nurse Practitioner board certified in family medicine who sees patients at Towner County Medical Center. He is better able to explain the reasons why it is so important that a child seeking a sports physical receive a full and thorough medical history and physical/psychological examination from an appropriate provider.

Thank you. I would be happy to address any questions you may have.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Blasl, President
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