

**Do Pass Testimony
of Doug Sharbono, citizen of North Dakota
on HB1514
in 2021 Special Session, Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of ND**

Dear Chairs Lee and Weisz and members of the Joint Technical Corrections Committee,

I am writing as a citizen and believe HB1514 is good legislation and ask for a "Do Pass" on it.

Our family has personally benefitted by off-label use of Hydroxychloroquine. My wife was two weeks fevered with Covid and becoming non-ambulatory. The local clinic's prescriptions were not helping her, and she was getting worse. With much difficulty, we were able to obtain prescribed Hydroxychloroquine for her. Within two days of intake of Hydroxychloroquine, her fever broke.

The medical industry including the state medical boards has contributed to the difficulty in obtaining medicine that works. The cost of the Hydroxychloroquine we used was \$17 for the complete regimen. The cost for Remdesivir is around \$666. The medical industry has worked very hard to keep these cost-effective and good therapeutics out of the hands of the people. As an example, they falsified the dangers of Hydroxychloroquine in the Lancet publication, which later had to be withdrawn.

Please do pass HB1514 for the benefit of our citizens in North Dakota. It will promote freedom and keep people alive.

Thank you,

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