

Good Morning Mr. Chairman, Committee

My name is Kris Ellis Representing the Idaho Chapter of the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians.

We are strongly in support of these rules that will allow the NMDs licensed under last years HB 244 to practice what they have been trained and practice to the community standard of care.

- This will allow them to better care for their patients,
- it will save patients money-as they won't have to see another primary care doctor for labs, imaging and prescriptions,
- The formulary is very similar to the formulary allowed in our neighboring states which will allow patients to receive their naturopathic care in Idaho instead of having to travel out of state, AND
- It will improve access to primary care in general

We very much appreciate the effort of Anne and Board of Medicine and the many negotiated rule hearings.

Happy to stand for questions.