

**Senate Health & Welfare Committee**

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Thank you Chairman Martin and members of the committee. My name is Dr. Diana Crumrine and I'm the President of the Idaho Chapter of the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians.

We have appreciated having a seat at the table for this discussion for many years. We have enjoyed working with Sen Anthon and his staff this session on this draft legislation however we feel that there are still critical amendments to be made that would help preserve natural health care in Idaho and Naturopathic Doctor licensing on the national level.

In addition to others, the two main amendments we have suggested to Sen Anthon and his staff are:

1. The removal of the term "naturopathic medical doctor" from the list of providers in this draft. This would create an additional licensing route for the providers who are already licensed under Title 54 Chapter 51 which became law in 2019. This would create even more confusion among our licensed providers in and outside of Idaho and create two standards of care which is not in the best interest of Idahoans.

2. Add language that would ensure the providers already licensed under Title 54 Chapter 51 can also use the term "licensed naturopathic doctor" without having to be licensed under this law. Naturopathic doctor and ND are the terms that are recognized upon graduating from a 4 year accredited naturopathic medical program and the terms that are licensed in all states in the US that regulate naturopathic medicine.

We have shared these amendments with Sen Anthon and his staff and look forward to continuing this conversation. We support this draft being sent to the 14th order.

Thank you for your time. I am happy to stand for questions.