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Dear Study Commission members, I Sheridan Duffy am writing to ask for your support of passing of this bill to improve patients' accessibility to medical care from licensed Naturopathic Physicians. Passage of this bill is very important to me. After a car accident in 2016 I was left with a damaged spine. Over the years I've done rounds of PT, injections and finally opioids. The round of opioids led to a serious addiction which led me to heavy heroin use. Thankfully in the last 6 months I joined a startup non-profit that paid for me to attend weekly yoga, saunas and massages that FINALLY relieved my back pain. I have been sober for 4 years and after 5 years have recently returned to work. These are services I could never afford even when I was working with health insurance. I wouldn't be able to work now without these services. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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