

Representative

Subject: House Bill 195

Dear Representative

I am writing you today requesting your full support of the passing of proposed legislation (HB-195) that was unanimously reported out of the House and Welfare Committee with a "do pass" recommendation.

I am a chiropractic patient who has received excellent professional care from my chiropractic physician for my health concerns. In many instances, my chiropractic physician has been able to give me improvement or resolution to a condition I have suffered from when other healthcare providers have not.

I like that I have the right to choose safe, non-addictive, conservative approaches to care, sometimes as a last resort when nothing else has been successful.

I understand that (HB-195) is

As a background, chiropractic physicians have over 4500 hours of doctoral education, which includes over 250 hours of nutritional education on average. (HB 195) will build on this nutritional education with an additional 100 hours covering micronutrient nutritional therapies.

Chiropractic physicians have effectively and safely been providing IV and injectable to nutrients for the last two decades, but in 2008 and 2012, through federal legislation and rule changes, the FDA established a new definition of an Rx, which defined any substance injected into the body as a prescription drug.

The Idaho Chiropractic statute currently states that chiropractors cannot use prescriptive or Rx substances. As a result of the FDA changes, chiropractic physicians lost the ability to provide IV and injectable nutrition to their patients.

With our diligent work with our legislators over the last two legislative sessions we have been working to rectify the loss of access to these types of treatments.

As you read through (HB 195), you will determine that this bill has been well crafted with focus on standardization, accredited education, patient safety and renewal of access to patients seeking IV and injectable micronutrient therapy from their chiropractic physicians.

I hope you will continue to support your Idaho constituents by continuing to give them the right to choose their type of healthcare and their healthcare provider by saying yes to (HB195).

Thank you.

Respectfully,