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To: Public Health Committee

I am writing in support of HB 6797 to expand the scope of practice for naturopathic physicians (ND's) in Connecticut. I believe in and like the naturopathic medical approach and would like ND's in Connecticut to have medication prescriptive authority consistent with their current training.

I ask your support to allow NDs the same prescriptive authority consistent with many other states that license NDs. NDs are comprehensively trained to utilize prescriptive medications when necessary and other states have had prescriptive authority for years.

Thanks you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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