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Pat Murdo, Lead Staff Attorney for the Economic Affairs Committee Members of the Economic Affairs Committee

Dear Pat and Members of the Committee,

It seems like yesterday I was a member of the Legislature and placed with the important responsibility of making public policy. This was one of the richest experiences of my lifetime, and I miss not being there today.

I am writing to express an opinion about a question you are considering, that is whether or not to allow Board certified Chiropractic doctors be allowed to continue offering in their scope of practice Dry Needling.

Twenty six years ago, my wife and I were injured in an accident in Manzanillo, Mexico. I broke my neck, my back and left hip, my wife broke her back, left hand and left foot.

My broken hip was treated with hip replacement surgery, the neck and back with braces, I wore for 7 months. For the past 3 months I have had a great deal of neck pain, I went to an orthopedic specialist who proposed physical therapy, and if that didn't work, surgery.

I needed quick relief, and wasn't willing to wait for results from physical therapy. A friend suggested I try DRY NEEDLING, from one of the physicians at the Yellowstone Naturopathic Clinic in Billings.

I have had 2 treatments and the pain has miraculously disappeared. I urge you to continue allowing doctors of chiropractic medicine to continue in their scope of practice DRY NEEDLING.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John C. Bohlinger