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Re: SB29, Prohibits discrimination against healthcare professionals and provides for protection of healthcare professional credentials

Honorable Members of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee:

As a consumer and human rights advocacy organization, we have borne witness to countless reports from medical professionals of concern over product safety, patient harm, and incidents of workplace harassment. While most reports stem from the use of the various COVID-19 vaccine products and masks, over the last two years we have heard concerns regarding most, if not all, experimental COVID-19 medical interventions, including the drug Remdesivir. Medical professionals have been unable to effectively address their concerns with hospital management without censure or threat of job loss.

In more than one instance, physicians have had complaints filed against them with the state's medical licensing board following their testimony before this legislature, costing them substantial time and money while defending their statements or actions, and making them less likely to share their concerns in the future.

A disturbing statement from the National Council of State Boards of Nursing threatened the license of those nurses who shared "misleading information not grounded in the peer-reviewed scientific literature and counter to information being disseminated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)."¹ Nurses see the **real time** ramifications of experimental medical interventions. Sharing their concerns became grounds for losing their license.

If medical professionals are being muzzled with threats to their license, what does that say about the possible safety and efficacy of the many experimental medical interventions that have been thrust upon society, many through coercive measures?

Protecting a medical professional's right to free speech ensures that their concerns have on-going, open debate and can only enhance the safety of healthcare.

Sincerely,
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¹ <https://www.ncsbn.org/PolicyBriefDisseminationofCOVID19Info.pdf>