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**Testimony to the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
In Support of SB193
February 12, 2025**

Chair Gossage and Committee Members:

Our associations are in support of SB193 relating to making Naloxone, commonly known as Narcan, available to more law enforcement agencies.

We requested this bill to be removed from the requirements of 65-16,127. Those requirements were put in place to allow us to obtain Narcan for our officers to carry when it was only available by prescription. Since it is now available over the counter those policies are no longer necessary. The amendments found on page 1, lines 16-27 remove us from these requirements. We are requesting to retain the liability protections that exist on page 3, lines 23-38. To do that, we are added back in with the inserted language on page 3, lines 23-24 and 32.

The requirement in that statute we believe is causing some of our small agencies to not issue Naloxone to their officers due to the cost of compliance. That provision is found on page 3, lines 2-6. It requires us to have a medical director if we issue Naloxone to our officers. That is no longer necessary since a prescription is not required. This not only creates an unnecessary cost, but there may also be challenges with the lack of available physicians willing to do it.

We encourage you to move SB193 forward favorably.

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