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Testimony in Support, with Modifications, of SB264

March 8, 2018

Thank you, Chairman Esau, for providing me the opportunity to appear before this committee in support of SB264, but with requests for modification.

I believe there are some issues that might cause concern for individuals subject to the provisions of the proposed law.

Some people are reluctant to state their disability in a formal document. In that context, a possibility would exist that another person, such as an attorney-in-fact, or other agent for the individual, could state a disability, when, in fact, no actual disability existed. In such a situation, the individual for whom the declaration is made, a claim of voter fraud could exist. This has the potential to affect those persons in nursing homes and similar living facilities for senior citizens.

I believe it is important for the committee to understand the potential impact on individuals who may be incapable of conducting all of their business affairs.

I encourage consideration of the recommendations contained in the substitute bill that has been submitted on this topic.

Rep. Brenda K. Landwehr

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