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Dear Madam Clerk,

On October 18, 2023, House Bills 5178 and 5179, were referred to the House Committee on Health Policy. HB 5178 would permit the creation of needle and hypodermic syringe access programs. HB 5179 removes fentanyl testing strips and other tests to determine if toxic or hazardous compounds are present from the definition of "drug paraphernalia."

I am asking the Subcommittee on Behavioral Health to review and make recommendations to these bills. The deadly opioid addiction crisis is a threat to our public health. I am confident that the Subcommittee will be successful and productive.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Rogers
Chair House Committee on Health Policy