



March 1, 2022

Chair Rep. Zack Stephenson
House Commerce Finance and Policy Committee

Re: H.F. 1936

Dear Mr. Chair and Committee Members:

I am the President of the Minnesota Podiatric Medical Association (MPMA) which represents over 80 percent of the podiatric physicians and surgeons in Minnesota.

The MPMA supports H.F. 1936, a bill the MPMA considers to be basic fairness in contracting legislation. This bill provides for fair business and contract principles for providers contracting with a plan. Many contracts with plans are structured to put a physician/health care provider at a distinct disadvantage where the plan can unilaterally terminate a provider without cause and there is no appeal process for the aggrieved provider.

This bill provides needed transparency in the contracting process between providers and plans and serves to ensure continuity of care between providers and patients.

The MPMA requests your support of this important bill.

Very truly yours,

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