Members, House Health Policy Committee

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## Good morning:

I write to express my opposition to House Bill 4359, a bill expanding the scope of practice for nonphysician anesthesia providers. I live and work in Kalamazoo, Michigan, practicing Urologic surgery, and have worked with both physician and CRNA anesthesia providers in Michigan for 24 years.

This bill will not serve to increase access to essential care, nor will it reduce the cost of care, nor will it improve the quality of perioperative care. It will, on the other hand, encourage over utilization of resources, and encourage some surgeons and sites of care to cut corners and raise risks for patients.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Best regards,

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