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Revenue Committee

Lincoln, NE 68509

Regarding LB _____ - Write one letter per bill and indicate which bill you are addressing here
LB314, LB497, LB507, LB508

Dear Revenue Committee,

I am a Nebraska (licensed massage therapist, resident, massage client, licensed healthcare professional, etc) and writing in opposition to LB_____ listing massage as a personal service to be taxed.

The primary issue arising is the miscategorization of massage as personal service rather than healthcare.

Choose a few or all of the topics to write about:

- Massage therapy in Nebraska is a **licensed healthcare profession** and Nebraska does not tax healthcare.
- Personal anecdote of massage therapy as healthcare
- Massage therapy is the only profession listed in this bill that is covered by health insurance.
- Nebraska massage therapy is covered by the VA, Medicare Advantage, Flex, HSA, Personal Injury, Workman's Comp, and many insurance plans.
- Massage therapy is listed as a therapy to help the opioid epidemic in a letter signed by Nebraska's Attorney General to the American Health Insurance Plans.
- Like all other healthcare professions, massage therapy has its own Practice Act, as opposed to the personal services this bill, and others, have lumped massage with.

I conclude by asking you to strike massage from this bill. In Nebraska we do not tax healthcare services; and as you can see, in Nebraska, Massage Therapy is an important healthcare profession. Taxing a health service is not only bad policy but contradicts Nebraska healthcare policies.

Thank you for your time and please strike massage from LB_____

Your Name and Title

Your Address

(and other contact info if you would like to provide it)

