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Delegate Shane Pendergrass  
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RE: HB 1125 - Prescription Drug Monitoring Program - Prescribers of Opioids - Notification Requirement

Dear Chair Pendergrass,

I hope your session is proceeding smoothly!

I am writing to express my support for HB 1125. This bill is one easy way our body can help address the ongoing opioid epidemic. This bill would require a prescriber of opioids to notify the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program on whether the patient has received education regarding the opioid and the potential antidotes to reverse an overdose. This requirement is an important oversight for existing regulations. It will help ensure prescribers are having the necessary conversations with their patients about the risks associated with opioids.

I strongly encourage a favorable report for **HB 1125**.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendell R. Beitzel".

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Delegate Wendell R. Beitzel  
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