

I am opposing this bill. As someone who has been in the healing arts for several years I know the relationship between a true healer & client to be an important one. I am also a survivor of the medical system & the doctors who "cared" for me by overprescribing medications for several years. I am a very fortunate case. Most people do not survive what I went through or become permanently insane or addicted to the pharmaceuticals.

It is because I stepped away & found trust in healing myself with a community whom also took their healing to to their own hands also bring guided & mentored by others with similar circumstances.

This work is sacred & needs to remain that way.

Putting this work only in the hands of someone who has an education & who has not been initiated through direct experience would be ill advised to work with people at this level.

Thank you for your consideration.

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