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RE: Testimony in Support of HB 2927

To the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care:

My name is Erica Swartz, I have been a nurse for 15 years and have taken care of many sickle cell patients in that time. I am writing to voice my support of HB 2927.

Sickle cell patients have historically been marginalized in both the health care system and in the wider communities. Funding for the disease lags behind that of many others. And these patients and their families have inadequate levels of government support. I have witnessed first hand how these patients and their families are profoundly impacted. This bill seeks to address disparities and improve support.

Please vote in support of HB 2927.

Sincerely, Erica Swartz