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Jim Pillen, Governor

October 15, 2024

The Honorable Ben Hansen
Health and Human Services Committee
Nebraska Legislature
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Chairman Hansen:

This letter is to address the question of how Paramedic licenses are regulated in other states.

All states require licensure for emergency care providers. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration published a document in 2019 outlining the differences in education, competency certification, and state licensing. The document may be found at https://www.ems.gov/assets/National_EMS_Scope_of_Practice_Model_2019_Change_Notices_August_2021.pdf.

The National Association of State EMS Officials provides resources regarding emergency care providers, including a report compendium on the emergency service workforce that can be found at https://nasemso.org/wp-content/uploads/Measuring-the-EMS-Workforce_Fina-Compendium.pdf. Information about the EMS Compact can be found at <https://www.emscompact.gov/ems-personnel/privilege-to-practice>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole M. Barrett".

Nicole M. Barrett
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