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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB536 SD1
RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS.**

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: March 12, 2019

Room Number: 329

1 **Fiscal Implications:** N/A.

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health supports SB536 SD2, the purpose of which
3 is to diminish the administrative burden on physicians attending to patients seeking medical aid
4 in dying pursuant to the Our Care, Our Choice Act. The department does not believe that the
5 proposed exemption will increase the risk of diversion for commonly used prescription
6 medications for end-of-life care.

7 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.

8 **Offered Amendments:** N/A.

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