

VOTE FOR & SUPPORT TEXAS SENATE BILL 1084

“The Complementary and Alternative Health Care Services Bill”

April ____, 2011

The Honorable Senator _____

Texas Senate

Fax # _____

Dear Senator _____:

I respectfully urge you to join Senator Wentworth and others in support of SB 1084, the Complementary and Alternative Health Care Services Bill. The problem is that Texas law currently makes into a criminal any unlicensed person who “offers or undertakes to prevent or to diagnose, correct or treat in any manner or by any means, methods, devices, or instrumentalities, any disease, illness, pain, wound, fracture, infirmity, or defect of any person.”

This Bill will:

- Preserve and Protect access to many complementary and alternative health-care treatments that Texans have used for decades, protecting thousands of honest entrepreneurial health-care businesses, including the “naturistas” who serve the large Texas Hispanic community.
- Stop unfair prosecutions of unlicensed practitioners who have done no harm.
- Protect the rights of Texans to choose the form of health care they want.
- Present no cost to the State of Texas.
- Provide a common-sense solution that protects the broadest range of options for Texans while also requiring these practitioners to disclose in writing that they may not conduct surgery, diagnose diseases, prescribe drugs, recommend a person discontinue medical treatment, or call themselves a physician.

Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Rhode Island already have health-freedom laws such as this one. These laws have been successful, allowing unlicensed practitioners to practice while also protecting consumers. Texans deserve to have their health options protected too.

As an informed consumer, I want my own and others’ health-care options protected, including access to practitioners such as homeopaths, herbalists, and traditional naturopaths. I appreciate your supporting SB 1084.

Signature _____ Print Name _____

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