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HB 795
House Medicaid Committee

Chairwoman Gross, Vice Chair Barhorst, Ranking Member Baker, and members of the House Medicaid Committee,

My name is Pete Moore, and I am the President and CEO of the Ohio Provider Resource Association. OPRA represents nearly 200 providers of services to Ohioans with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Our members provide services across the continuum of supports, including residential services, intermediate care facilities, employment supports, day services, and shared living. We appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony on this HB 795.

At OPRA, our mission and vision are centered around the creation and support of great providers. This includes addressing fraud, waste, and abuse and ensuring that public resources are utilized appropriately and responsibly. I begin by applauding the Committee's efforts to address issues related to fraud, waste, and abuse within Ohio's Medicaid system. Ohioans with I/DD, along with their families, deserve to be served by quality providers operating with integrity and accountability.

Over the last several years, OPRA has worked with legislators, state agencies, providers, and other stakeholders on ideas to modernize Ohio's developmental disabilities services system. Our modernization framework includes more than 21 policy proposals across 5 different areas of service delivery:

- Access
- Case Management
- Sustainability
- Quality and Accountability
- Efficiency

Our plan goes beyond simply evaluating provider performance. Our plan examines how people access services, how case management and planning are coordinated, how oversight is conducted, and how the overall system can become more efficient, accountable, and sustainable.

We believe Ohio needs a comprehensive approach to addressing fraud, waste, and abuse, one that not only targets bad actors, but also strengthens system design, improves oversight, promotes quality providers, and creates long-term sustainability.



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There are times when efforts to address fraud, waste, and abuse without a comprehensive strategy addressing all areas of our system, can unintentionally create additional administrative complexity, incentivize unintended behaviors, discourage quality providers, and further strain an already complicated system.

That is why OPRA seeks to partner with the General Assembly on a modernization strategy that addresses provider quality, operational standards, accountability, workforce stability, system oversight, and long-term system sustainability. We believe this type of comprehensive approach can accomplish the goals this Committee is seeking to achieve while also improving quality of services, strengthening case management, increasing accountability, and ensuring the most effective use of Medicaid resources.

At this time, we respectfully ask the Committee to exclude Ohio's developmental disabilities system from the provisions contained within House Bill 795 by adopting amendment AM_136_2819. We respectfully request the General Assembly work collaboratively with OPRA and other stakeholders in the I/DD system on a modernization effort specifically designed to address fraud, waste, and abuse within the context of our system.

Many aspects of this modernization work are already underway, and we are eager to continue moving forward in partnership with the General Assembly, the Department of Developmental Disabilities, and other stakeholders.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide testimony today. We look forward to continuing to work with the Committee on thoughtful solutions that address fraud, waste, and abuse in a way that strengthens Ohio's developmental disabilities system while protecting the people and families we all serve.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "M".

Pete Moore
President and CEO
Ohio Provider Resource Association