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Dear Representative Copeland Hanzas,

I hope this email finds you doing well and able to enjoy the beautiful albeit cold wintery wonderland. I write to you as I am the President of the Vermont Association of Naturopathic Physicians (VANP). In reviewing the OPR bill, we noticed that in Section 2, naturopathic physicians are not included in the list of health care providers for background checks. Therefore, we are suggesting the following amendment:

Sec. 2. 3 V.S.A. § 123 is amended to read: 8 § 123. DUTIES OF OFFICE

- (j)(1) The Office may inquire into the criminal background histories of applicants for initial licensure and for license renewal of any Office-issued credential, including a license, certification, registration or specialty designation for the following professions:
- (A) licensed nursing assistants, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses, and advanced practice registered nurses licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 28;
- (B) private investigators, security guards, and other persons licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 59;
- C) real estate appraisers and other persons or business entities licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 69; and
 - (D) osteopathic physicians licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 33
 - (E) naturopathic physicians licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 81.

Thank you so much for your time, I know that you probably don't have a lot of it these days!

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In Health and Happiness,

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