

## Angie Lake

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**Cc:** Kirstie Sieloff; Angie Lake  
**Subject:** Fwd: HB 5649 & HB 5650

Good Evening!

Please see the below letter regarding HB 5649 and 5650, up in committee tomorrow. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you!

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> Key Development Center, Inc. Supports HB 5649 & HB 5650

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> Dear Legislators:

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> I write on behalf of Key development Center, Inc. to urge you to enact the proposed life-saving Good Samaritan Expansion (HB 5649-5650).

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> When someone in America overdoses, a call for help occurs less than 50% of the time. The most common reason for not seeking help is fear of repercussion from law enforcement. With opioid overdose in Michigan at epidemic levels, HB 5649-5650 should be enacted as quickly as possible to prevent further unnecessary death.

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> With this legislation, Michigan will join the current practice of over 32 states in protecting the health of its citizens. The bipartisan legislation sponsored by Reps. Pscholka and Singh as written best effectuates the goals of a Good Samaritan law ("medical amnesty") law. The scourge of opioid addiction and abuse poses a serious threat to our sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, friends, and fellow Michiganders; we must encourage them to call for help in emergencies if we wish to reverse the staggering trend of untimely overdose deaths.

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> Thank you for your support on this life-or-death issue. Any questions you may have about our support for expanded Good Samaritan laws are warmly welcomed.

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> Sincerely,

> Anne King-Hudson

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