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**From:** laurayoung13@yahoo.com  
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**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Support for H5529

Dear Members of the House Finance Committee:

My work puts me in regular contact with individuals with low incomes who are older and have disabilities. I encourage you to please support H5529 due to the hardships these citizens have in affording basic necessities, especially toiletries or basic household items that allow for a dignified life. The additional income will bring some degree of relief. During the pandemic, I witnessed firsthand the boost in self-respect and reduction in negative symptoms that came with simply being able to afford curtains for a window.

Respectfully,  
Laura Young