

House Committee Health and Human Services
RI State House
82 Smith Street
Providence RI 02903

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Re: Testimony in Opposition to House Bill 5428 entitled An act relating to the business and professions- nurses

Dear Chairperson Donovan and members of the HHS Committee

I am Ashley Arnold from District 29 I am a Nurse Practitioner (NP) and a member of the Nurse Practitioner Alliance of Rhode Island. I was born and raised in RI and have worked as a Nurse Practitioner in RI for 8 years. I oppose House Bill 5428 entitled An act relating to the business and professions- nurses.

I oppose bill H5428 as I have worked alongside Nurse Practitioners for over 13 years as both a nurse and NP. I have witnessed nothing but safe administration of sedation by Nurse Practitioners throughout my career. I also serve on several quality committees. The quality of care provided by Nurse Practitioners has never been in question. There is no data or statistics to support restricting NP practice in Rhode Island. I urge you to vote against bill H5428.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to speak against bill H5428. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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