

## Steven Sepe

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**From:** Kelli Welch Cota <wellikelch@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2025 10:13 AM  
**To:** House Health and Human Services Committee  
**Cc:** rep-baginski@rilegislature.com; policastrogroup@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: Bill H-5351

This is an update of my previous email to include my contact information.

> On Feb 24, 2025, at 10:09 AM, Kelli Welch Cota <wellikelch@hotmail.com> wrote:

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> Clerk Sepe, Representative Baginski and Ms. Policastro,

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> I am writing to express my concerns about the subject bill.

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> I have been receiving aesthetic treatments for almost a little over 2 years. Recently, I became a patient of Tara Phelps at Subtle T Aesthetics in Wakefield. I specifically chose this practice because their approach is more natural, focusing on the use of medical grade skin care and treatments that use your own plasma, rather than relying solely on dermal fillers for certain areas of the face. Previously, I had treatments at another med spa and wasn't entirely satisfied with the results, or their approach, which prompted me to change providers.

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> At Subtle T Aesthetics, in a matter of months I have achieved amazing results, administered in a safe, comfortable environment. At each appointment my provider takes the time to review what we have done at our previous appointment, discuss my thoughts on the results and our plan going forward. She never makes me feel rushed during the consultation and gives a detailed explanation of what she is going to do both before and during the procedure. In speaking with her, it is obvious that she enjoys sharing her knowledge, Tara takes her time to explain the science behind the products used and procedures that are offered and answering any questions that I may have.

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> Tara is a licensed anesthesiologist. If a hospital has entrusted her to sedate patients for surgery, I feel that she is qualified to administer my aesthetic treatments. She is knowledgeable about anatomy, administering injections, sterilization and hygiene requirements.

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> My concern is that this bill may cause me to lose my right to choose my provider. I want to continue to receive my aesthetic treatments at Subtle T Aesthetics, and not be forced to find another provider for my treatments due to restrictions on the scope of practice in RI.

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> Trusting someone with your face is a major decision. I feel fortunate to have found a provider that is so caring, knowledgeable and enthusiastic about her practice. I do not want to lose this relationship and the results I have achieved.

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> Thank you for your consideration,

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> Sent from my iPhone