Steven Sepe

From:

laura@lauraseddon.com

Sent:

Saturday, February 22, 2025 6:20 PM

To:

House Health and Human Services Committee

Cc:

Rep. Baginski, Jacquelyn M.; policastrogroup@gmail.com

Subject:

Support for Bill H-5351

Dear Clerk Steve Sepe,

I am writing in support of companion bill RI H-5351, which ensures that all medical and aesthetic professionals in Rhode Island may work and delegate to the full extent of their scope of practice. As a patient and supporter of medical aesthetics, I am deeply concerned about the Rhode Island Department of Health's efforts to limit access to these services.

I have received aesthetic treatments from my provider for several years and have always experienced exceptional, safe, and personalized care. I chose my current provider because of their expertise, attention to detail, and commitment to patient safety. Unlike a rushed clinical setting, the medical spa environment allows for thorough consultations, individualized treatment plans, and a holistic approach to care. My provider has taken the time to educate me on my treatments, address my concerns, and ensure that I receive the best possible results.

Restricting the scope of practice for trained aesthetic professionals will not increase patient safety—it will only limit my ability to access trusted care. I do not want to lose my right to choose my provider, nor do I want to be forced to travel to neighboring states to seek services that I have safely received in Rhode Island for years. The aesthetics industry is a rapidly growing field that benefits our state's economy, yet these restrictions threaten to stifle its growth and push skilled professionals out of Rhode Island.

I urge you to support RI H-5351 and protect the rights of both patients and medical aesthetic providers. Please allow professionals to continue practicing to the full extent of their training and expertise, ensuring that Rhode Island residents can continue to access high-quality aesthetic care.

Sincerely,

Laura Seddon 401-862-8543 211 Fairview Lane Portsmouth, RI 02871