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Good Morning,

My name is Christine Cavanaugh and I am a resident of Portsmouth, RI. It has come to my attention that there is a bill proposed that seeks to legalize Assisted Suicide in Rhode Island. I am horrified that our beautiful state would even consider voting on such a bill.

As a mother of three teenagers, I can assure you that mental health among our children is a nightmare. We recently lost a dear family friend, age 18, to suicide. I can not fathom what will happen if there is access to medication, to a child in mental distress. How does anyone cope with the loss of a loved one due to suicide? Have you considered placing yourself in the shoes of a parent whose child took his own life? Found hanging in a dorm room? This is REAL. This is happening. We can not allow medication to be available to those in mental health crisis. From what I can see, there is absolutely no background check for access to the medication.

Please vote against this bill - consider what your life would look like if you lost a child, parent, spouse or sibling to suicide. As our family grieves the loss of a beautiful young man, I beg you to vote no.

Thank you,  
Christine Cavanaugh