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Chair Hagan McEntee and Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

As a Rhode Island resident, I support the Lila Manfield Sapinsley Compassionate Care Act (H7760).

Death - the last act of life most don't like to think about, have conversations about or plan for.

Having been first diagnosed with kidney cancer at age 2, losing my mother to Leukemia at age 11, getting breast cancer at age 30 with a recurrence at age 35 denied me of the choice think about, talk about and plan for death. I pre-planned my own funeral arrangements 25 yrs ago.

I had the privilege of working for several years in the Integrative Medicine Department and with Palliative Care at Smilow Cancer Hospital. Witnessing patients suffer terribly while their families helplessly watched is a heinous way to exit the world.

I am grateful that the Lila Mansfield Sapinsley Compassionate Care Act is opening the discussion in Rhode Island about dying with dignity. My last moments on earth should be peaceful not painful. My family and friends deserve to let me go with love not be traumatized by my suffering.

Allow me to die with intention and honor just as I have lived.

Sincerely

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