

For the House Labor Committee:

Re: Testimony in Support of H-7968

Dear Chairperson Corvese and members of the House Labor Committee:

I am Simon Braunstein from Cumberland. I am an educator and a software engineer.

I support H-7968 because without support, my wife and I underwent financial and emotional hardship when we had our children. Paid parental leave is a crucial mechanism by which the state and the country can create stable families that make good decisions and good citizens. We need as many of those as we can get. How can paid leave be too big a spend when our country and our state is so wealthy?

I urge you to vote in favor of bill H-7968.

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

Sincerely,

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