

27 January 2026

The Honorable Susan Donovan Chair,  
House Committee on Health & Human Services  
State House  
82 Smith Street  
Providence, RI 02903

RE: H7075, H7188

Dear Chair Donovan and members of the Committee:

My name is Christopher LaMarca, I am a former resident in the state and worked in Providence and Smithfield for Fidelity Investments for over fifteen years. I am writing to you in support of the two bills H7075 and H7188 which are currently under your consideration.

As a local citizen over the past two decades, I became aware of much of the great work being done in support of Rhode Island youth suffering from Diabetes through several Camp Surefire events and fundraisers. Although not personally afflicted, I understand that more should and can be done to help those with diabetes get the care they need and maintain the best possible quality of life while they battle the disease.

My primary reason for writing is that people suffering from diabetes have a greatly diminished quality of life when they don't have access to care and cannot afford proven and effective treatments or insulin. The consequences when treatment is out of reach also has negative financial implications. Increased hospital visits and stays is another factor that should be strongly considered as they burden the health care system and incur avoidable and unnecessary expenses for patients.

I urge the committee to model the fiscal consequences of these bills from both a patient and taxpayer perspectives. I believe passing and funding these two bills will reduce the long-term expenses and overall burden to the health care systems and prove to be a wise and sound investment while also helping those in need.

Thank you for your careful consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris LaMarca', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Christopher LaMarca  
Vice President, Fidelity Investments

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Current resident of Boxford, MA