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I am writing to the Senate Committee members in regard to Senate Bill 2455. This legislation would mandate insurance coverage for scalp cooling treatments. I not only provide support of this legislation but also write as one who is a cancer survivor. Legislation that mandates insurance coverage that relates to cancer treatment can be the difference between life and death and/or treatment as one seeks treatment relating to cancer. In the case of this legislation, one aspect of this that is presented by insurance providers such as Blue Cross is that scalp cooling treatment is cosmetic. I find that the insurance companies had a strange definition of cosmetic. There is a significant amount of research and documentation that such treatment allows for less chemotherapy. This in turn, allows for less hair falling out. The other argument made by the insurance companies in letters to committee's such as this is cost. However, when one looks at what is presented, there is usually a lack of any detail as to cost. On the other hand, advocates of such legislation (such as Maryland) show that fiscal impact is well below 1% of any insurance health care coverage cost. Estimated costs are anywhere from \$1,000.00 to \$3,000.00. The other argument by health insurance companies is the lack of peer review relating to application of cool scalping. Again, this is something the insurance companies hide behind in a general manner. There is a body of work that has been presented in those states that have enacted such legislation. This treatment is FDA approved. In order for anything health related to be approved peer review is very much part of this process.

Cancer is hard enough to deal with on a variety of levels. Legislation such as this for who part of the treatment is chemotherapy just makes sense to move forward. Be in the lead and do the right thing on this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

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