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Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Stephen Jarmie, and I am a resident of Warwick. I am writing to express my strong support for S2455, which would require insurance providers to cover scalp cooling treatments for cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy.

### **Reasons for Support**

- Scalp cooling has been shown to help patients retain their hair during chemotherapy, preserving dignity and reducing the psychological burden of treatment.
- Insurance coverage is essential for equitable access, as the current out-of-pocket costs place this therapy out of reach for many Rhode Islanders.
- Several of my loved ones have undergone cancer treatment, and in addition to the physical and emotional strain of chemotherapy, they faced the added stress of navigating insurance barriers to obtain scalp cooling.

### **Conclusion**

I respectfully urge the committee to support and advance S2455. This legislation would meaningfully reduce the financial burden on patients and improve the overall treatment experience for those facing cancer.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
**Stephen Jarmie**

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