

IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

**Raised Bill 1068
Wednesday, February 14th, 2007**

**Testimony of Mr. Harold Young
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Good morning, Distinguished Members of the Public Health Committee. My name is Harold Young. I am an individual with psychiatric disabilities residing at Whiting Forensic Division of CVH.

I am opposing Raised Bill 1068 and asking you to protect the Patient Bill of Rights and strike down the proposed legislation before you.

As a person who has been at Whiting for more then a decade I would like to bring to your attention that our rights to property is already controlled by hospital policy.

No further restrictions should be granted and the Patient Bill of Rights should not be disturbed. Please reject the proposed legislation before you in Raised Bill 1068.

Individuals in recovery should not be deprived of any rights protected by the Patient Bill Of Rights. The proposed legislation before you in Raised Bill 1068 must be denied because it was written by someone who is not familiar with the Whiting Forensic Division.

Thank you for your kind attention.