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Testimony submitted by State Representative Faith McMahon, 15th District to the Human Services committee - March 11, 2008

RE: RAISED BILL 665: An ACT CONCERNING CARE AT CONTINUING CARE AT HOME

Senator Harris, Representative Villano and members of the committee, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of raised bill 665.

No one really wants to end up in a nursing home. They are costly to the individual as most people deplete their life savings and personal resources. They are then very costly to the tax payer. (Last year CT paid more than $1.4 billion dollars.)

This act promotes sound public policy which will provide a comprehensive package of coordinated long term care service for seniors who want to remain in their homes. Thank you for your consideration of this fiscally sound, morally responsible and humane bill.