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To: Senator P. Doyle
Rep. T. Walker
Members of Human Service Committee

RE: SB 957, AAC MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR PERSONS LIVING IN RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME.

From: T. H. Martland, Owner of Elton and Park City Residential Care Homes

I am very supportive of this bill and would like to give you examples of persons who were appropriate to reside in a residential care home but were placed in a nursing home because their incomes was slightly over the State Supplement level.

Case #1: "Yvonne"

In 2005, "Yvonne" was with the Elton Residential Care Home as a "private pay" resident until her assets were depleted; this required her transfer to a Nursing Home for income purposes only. She remains there and continues to be "healthy enough" for Residential Care.

2005 Income

Retirement Payments @	\$ 866.95/mo.	
Social Security @	<u>\$ 1,385.20/mo.</u>	
	\$ 2,252.15/mo. or	
Annual	\$27,025.80	
2005 Title XIX Max Income		@ \$ 1,737.00/mo.
2005 Elton Residential Care Home rate		@ \$ 2,233.19/mo.
2005 Estimated Nursing Home rate		@ \$ 4,870.00 +/-mo.*

Case #2: Anita "G."

In 2000 and 2001, Anita "G." and her husband resided at the Elton Residential Care Home as Title XIX residents.

2001 Income as Couple

Anita "G." Social Security @	\$ 439.00/mo.
Husband Social Security @	\$ 295.00/mo.
Other Retirement Payments @	<u>\$ 1,877.04/mo.</u>
	\$ 2,611.04/mo.
Annual @	\$31,332.48

During 2001, Anita "G." became a widow and the recipient of a "survivor annuity" in the amount of \$ 1,065.00 per month, causing her to be placed in a Nursing Home for income purposes only. She remains to the best of my knowledge.

2001 Income as a Widow

Anita "G" Social Security @	\$ 439.00/mo.
Annuity @	<u>\$ 1,065.00/mo.</u>
	\$ 1,504.00/mo.
Annual @	\$18,048.00

2001 Title XIX Max Income	@ \$ 1,503.00/mo
2001 Elton Residential Care Home rate	@ \$ 2,058.29/mo.
2001 Estimated Nursing Home rate	@ \$ 4,563.00 <u>+</u> /mo.*