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Testimony

**In Support of Proposed H.B. No. 6033, AN ACT CONCERNING COURT-ORDERED
CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS WITH RESPECT TO VISITATION RIGHTS**

And

**H.B. No. 6011, AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION
SUBMITTED BY A PARTY IN A DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE PROCEEDING.**

**Judiciary Committee
March 26, 2009**

Dear Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor and members of the Judiciary Committee:
I am writing in support of H.B. 6033 and H.B. 6011.

H.B. 6033 would call for clarity and guidance in visitation orders and would be very helpful to all parties, especially the children in question. Most court orders set out general, bare-bone recommendations, while some are far more detailed due to specific issues for that family. There's probably a fair middle ground here, which is what this bill is reaching for. As anyone who has dealt with this issue for constituents knows, clearer and cleaner is much better. Let's try to work out this middle ground (to quote my friend Christel Truglia) "for the children."

H.B. 6011 would require honest, factual information for the Court. This should be a no-brainer. I wish I had a nickel for every constituent call ranting and raving about this exact issue. Incomplete or downright incorrect information provided to the Court really sticks in folks' craw and pushes the "unfair" button big time. Please seriously look at how to enhance the Court's toolbox for dealing with this frequent and frustrating problem.

I wish you all well as you craft language here to address a far too common inequity. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Dolly Powers