

Re: HB-5287

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly,

I write in support of House Bill No. 5287 regarding the creation and licensing of urgent care centers for children who are not allowed to remain in their daycare but who are not ill enough to require hospitalization or medical treatment beyond routine palliative care.

As the mother of two small children who were both in daycare facilities for a number of years while my husband and I worked, the existence of a center of the type described in this bill would be an intelligent and thoughtful move that would aid working families in accomplishing the three goals most important to working parents: First, it would allow children to be cared for by competent, licensed professionals; Second, It would give piece of mind to those working families who do not have extended families in the area to help care for their children in these situations; and finally, it would allow both working parents to remain present and productive at work. I fully support this measure as a means to address the needs of working families.

Sincerely,

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