

**Testimony before the Judiciary Committee
March 29, 2012,
In opposition to SB 452 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE CARE AND TREATMENT
OF PERSONS WITH PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES
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Good Afternoon Members of the Judiciary Committee.

My name is Gayle McFadden and I have a mental illness. I do not believe that people with mental illnesses should be told that their rights don't matter. They should be involved in the decision to do ninety days at a treatment center or not.

It should be explained in detail to the consumer and their family members before agreed upon, and decided together. It would be beneficial to me to have the right to do, what is the best recovery program for me or to refuse the decision that all of you together have agreed upon. Thank you.