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To Co-Chairs Senator Slossberg and Representative Abercrombie, Vice-Chairs Senator Coleman and Representative Stallworth, Ranking Members Senator Markley, and Representative Wood, and members of the Human Services Committee,

I would like to express my strong support for House Bill 5106, AN ACT CONCERNING CHARGES FOR PATIENT CARE BY NURSING HOMES.

This bill would amend Chapter 368v of the Connecticut General Statutes to change the current flat-rate system used by nursing homes to charge for patient care to a new system that calculates such charges based on each patient's individual health care needs. Currently, Medicaid costs accounts for over 25% of the state's annual budget. This bill will aim to modify the state's overall Medicaid charges by adjusting and individualizing the current system.

I urge you to support this piece of legislation. I thank the committee for their time and attention into this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Prasad".

Prasad Srinivasan
State Representative
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