

HB 6645
Hello,

I am writing to strongly oppose any bill that would legalize assisted suicide in Connecticut. There are many moral and ethical reasons why this is a very bad idea. I am hoping our legislature will see this as very detrimental to our citizens. It does nothing to support or help people in need.

Those with serious health issues need medical assistance in the form of pain management and psychological help. End of life issues are very personal and need a lot of consideration and prayer. This bill before us has no requirement for the patient to seek psychological counseling. Also, the patient is dealing with so many issues, it is very easy for others to manipulate the person to make this decision, when they really are not sure.

Very importantly, these drugs are handed to the patient and they go home to administer them themselves without the monitoring of any medical personnel.

There have been many instances of mistakes and last minute change of heart where the patient has serious problems after the "failed" attempt at suicide. Many people believe in life after death, and we must realize the reason why we are allowed to suffer in this life. All suffering done here on earth will have its purpose in how we live in our life after death. Only God gives life and only God should allow it to end.

Thank you for reading this and taking serious consideration to all these issues.

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