

Hello,

My name is Gregory B Wilmot from Pomfret, Connecticut. I urge you to give HB 6645 an unfavorable report. There are plenty of people who outlive a 6 month life expectancy. The former pastor of my church was diagnosed with late stage colon cancer and given a year and a half to live, but he had the surgery, declined chemotherapy or radiation and lived almost 6 more years; he was fairly healthy until the last few months. I do not support physician assisted suicide in any way, but even if I did, I would like to think that our lawmakers would provide very good safeguards, like requiring patients to see a psychiatrist, and investigating the situation to ensure that the patient is not being pressured into this choice by an abusive caregiver or heir. Unfortunately, HB 6645 is a recipe for trouble, and does not provide sufficient safeguards. My mother has Multiple Sclerosis, and is now severely disabled and on a feeding tube, but she receives loving and patient care from my father and I.

Thank you,

Gregory B Wilmot