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INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE  
LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING  
300 CAPITOL AVENUE  
HARTFORD, CT 06106

REGARDING: RAISED BILL No. 5249

AN ACT CONCERNING COPAYMENTS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES.

DEAR CO-CHAIRS, RANKING MEMBERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE:

MY NAME IS CHERYL SWARTS AND I'M A FULL-TIME OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY STUDENT. IF THIS BILL IS NOT PASSED IT MAY NOT ONLY EFFECT MY LIVING, BUT THE HEALTH OF OTHERS.

PLEASE PASS RAISED BILL No. 5249 WHICH WOULD BE AN EXTENSION OF LAST YEAR'S PUBLIC ACT No. 13-307 (HOUSE BILL 6546), WHICH SIMILARLY LIMITED THE CO-PAYMENTS FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES.

AFTER MY AUNT HAD A HEART ATTACK SHE HAD TO BE AN INPATIENT AND SHE DID RECEIVE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY. BEING THAT SHE IS ELDERLY AND LIVES ALONE IT IS HARD FOR HER FINANCIALLY TO PAY FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IS A VERY NEEDED FOR THE WELLNESS AND HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE.

AGAIN I ASK YOU TO SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION AND FEEL FREE TO CALL ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

SINCERELY,

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