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Re: SB 319: An Act Concerning Maximum Medical Improvement

To the Members of the CT General Assembly Labor Committee:

I write to you to encourage you to support SB 319: An Act Concerning Maximum Medical Improvement.

I am an injured worker and have two workers compensation claims pending against my employer, APTAR, for injuries sustained on January 4, 2010 and November 24, 2010. I have completed my medical treatment, but have permanent injuries to my neck and back. Although my claims remain open, I am not able to obtain medical treatment because the insurer will not authorize it. My physician will not see me without the insurer authorizing the examination beforehand. I haven't worked since the last injury, so I cannot afford it on my own.

SB 319 would help me a lot. It would permit me to be reexamined without the delay of waiting for the insurer to authorize the exam. Also, I would not need to request a hearing before a worker's compensation commissioner nor hire an attorney to simply be re-examined by my treating physician.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fernando DaSilva". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Fernando DaSilva