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Testimony of
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In support of Raised HB5384
An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing levels
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I have been a Registered Nurse at Danbury Hospital since 2011. I am writing to support H.B. 5384, An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing Levels. I support Transparency in Nursing because there have been times when the ratios have been too high to provide safe, effective, quality care to the patients we serve.

Unsafe ratios put our patients at risk for medication errors; raise safety concerns, inadequate education about illness, as well as a loss of dignity and comfort. If hospitals are consistently staffed appropriately then being transparent should not be an issue. If this Transparency bill points out areas of concern regarding inadequate staffing, then we should welcome that opportunity to improve staffing ratios. We, as a community of healthcare providers, should strive for excellence when caring for the people of our community that we serve. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to voice my support for this bill. I look forward to its outcome.

Sincerely,

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