

**Testimony to the Public Health Committee  
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**Testimony: H.B. No. 5534 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES**

My name is Scott Langner. I am 27 years old and I live at 80 Barstow Lane, Tolland, CT with my parents. I have a brother, Kyle, who lives in West Hartford and a sister, Carrie, who lives in Norwich.

I work at Opportunity Works Connecticut in Willington, CT. I do the bottles and cans for the bottle redemption and I use my computer to write articles for the OWC newsletter. I am also the president of the Self Advocacy Program at OWC.

I am not ready to move into an apartment yet but sometime in a couple of years I would like to move into an apartment. I don't know what city it will be in but I can use the apartment guide app on my Ipad to find out which apartment has lots of room on the inside.

I would like to have 2 roommates so I'm not by my lonesome. I would send out invitations on evite.com for a housewarming party.

In the apartment I would do some cleaning like dusting TV screens, computer screens, and DVD players, and vacuuming rugs in the bedrooms, living room and mopping the kitchen floor.

To live in my own apartment I will need some help with cooking and grocery shopping, doing laundry and paying my bills. My parents and my roommates' parents will help me to learn these things. But my DDS case worker told me that DDS will also give me a budget so that I can hire my helpers when our parents can't help anymore.

When I live in my own apartment I can work on my Carolina Opry audition and work on my cover letter, complete resume and bio, along with 2 pictures.

My roommates and I can plan to go out for dinner, go shopping, go to musicals at the Bushnell, and go to movies at Rave Motion Pictures.

In my own apartment I also hope to work on my plan to be a radio show host on Sirius XM Satellite radio and even make my podcasts for iTunes.

And someday my girlfriend and I would like to have a wedding and have lots of guests come. We will have lots of photos taken by all these people with cameras. I have a lot of plans for my future when I move into my own apartment. I hope I won't have to wait too long for DDS to help. And I will need my parents help so I don't want them to be dead first.

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