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Dear Members of the Public Health Committee,

The purpose of this email is to express my support for Bill 5144, An Act Concerning Access to Birth Certificates and Parental Health Information for Adoptive Parents . I am the friend of a 57 year woman who is adopted and being denied payment for the BRCA gene test because she does not have access to the medical history of her biological family which would confirm whether or not there is breast cancer in her biological family. Consequently, she is required to pay \$3000.00 for the test. For the non-adopted population in Connecticut who have access to their biological medical history the cost for the test is \$00.00.

I am asking that you support Bill 5144 which will allow her and other adoptees access to their original birth certificates and the tools to find biological medical history as without access they are at risk for breast cancer and other diseases that run in biological families.

Thank you,

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