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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 1997. I am writing to support H.B. 5384, An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing Levels. I support **Transparency in Nursing** because I believe **patients deserve the best care.**

**The only way to accomplish that is to have a lower patient to RN ratio. Patients are more complex today and require more direct care from the RN. When a unit is understaffed for the acuity that is on the unit, then it's the patients who suffer. Think about how you would want your family member to be cared for. A unit that is well staffed with a lower RN to patient ratio or an understaffed unit with a higher RN to patient ratio.**

Sincerely,

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