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Testimony of  
Sally Davis, RN  
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In support of Raised HB5384  
An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing levels  
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Dear Public Health Committee members,

My name is Sally Davis. I have been a registered nurse working at Danbury Hospital since 1979 in the Labor and Delivery room. I am writing to ask you to support HB 5384 because of my frustration with the lack of staffing at Danbury Hospital.

We need mandatory reporting of staffing levels to require hospitals to show the public they are providing adequate staffing. Our unit was hit hard by layoffs in August, and we are constantly working short staffed and under tremendous stress. Our work environment and morale has been negatively affected and I cannot provide a higher level of care to my patients directly related to low staffing.

If Danbury Hospital and other hospitals in Connecticut were mandated to report staffing levels, this may change the working conditions for us in Labor and Delivery at Danbury Hospital and at other hospitals in Connecticut.

I ask you to vote for HB 5384 to require mandatory reporting of staffing levels.

Thank you,  
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