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My name is Marc Scrivener, Fire Chief for the Willimantic Fire Department. We're a department of 29 Firefighter/EMTs, and we operate two BLS ambulances. I would like to comment on Proposed House Bill #5911, An Act Concerning Notification to Emergency Medical Services Organizations Regarding Patients Diagnosed with Infectious Diseases.

I would ask that the Public Health Committee support this bill. As an example of why I support this bill, I have an employee with a recent body fluid exposure. Under the current laws, we have exhausted his options for seeking the infectious status of his former patient. Responders like him need additional statutory protection in order that he and his family may know for sure whether he has been exposed to an infectious disease.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Public Health Committee.

Respectfully,

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