

Senator Fonfara, Representative Berger, and members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee,

My name is Mickey Herbst, and I live in Westport. I have just been made aware that Representative Lavielle has raised bill 7038 and there is a public hearing today. I have a daughter, Jenna, who is intellectually disabled and receives support from the DDS. All her needs are not covered, and our family contributes to the cost of supplementing her needs. It would be a great help to have available the savings incentives that would be provided by the ABLE act. This could leverage family support, which is especially important at a time of insufficient resources available to support all the needs of all the intellectually disabled citizens of our State. We do this to help families send children to college. It makes sense to extend the same provision to families with special needs members.

Thank you,

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