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**To:** JudTestimony  
**Cc:** Sen. McLachlan, Michael  
**Subject:** Bill 668 Right to die.

Dear Legislators:

This bill I support having worked in nursing homes as a teenager and adult, my mother was a aid for many many years. She had a DNR and we took her off life support as per her wishes. Death with dignity should be allowed and in all reality it is to some degree tho hidden by the profession and industry. Just think of this, you will take a beloved, appreciated, part of the family, a pet, an animal, and show it enough mercy, compassion, and decency, to put it down so it does not suffer needlessly. Why would you not extend the same right or compassion to a family member who's suffering? As a matter of fact my Aunt just passed away and she suffered from advanced lung disease, 24/7 Oxygen and she suffered horribly like a fish out of water gasping for air. She ended up in the ER and our guess was caught the flu and passed pretty fast in a few days, she did not suffer much. Why allow someone to suffer so needlessly especially if you love them? to me that's cruel and inhumane. Life is life none more scared than the other, for one we show mercy and compassion, and the other we allow to suffer? Its an individual choice like my mother had made, no life support, it's not really a matter for legislators in my opinion unless it's to take a unbiased stand leaving it to the person and family....life gets no more personal than death...leave it to the suffering, the dying, and their families out of respect for them. As for a doctor assisting in it, that's up to the doctor but they should face no penalty if they assist...again it's personal choice " do no harm " the surviving family, the doctor, anyone involved are the ones who have to live with it in the end and they should have that choice....

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