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RE: Support of Bill 258: An Act Concerning Infant Safe Sleep Practices

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Distinguished Members of the Committee on Public Health.

The Yale Pediatric Emergency Medicine Department cares for too many infant suffering unexpected and unnatural deaths with unsafe sleep practices. This tragedy is compounded by the fact that most of these deaths are preventable through safe sleep practices and prevention. Despite current public education campaigns such as “Back to Sleep” we still see many of these deaths each year. By focusing parental education at the hospital following birth we can offer the best opportunity to end these fatalities in our state.

For these reasons I support Bill 258.

I am happy to discuss this further at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marc Auerbach'.

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