

Dear members of the Labor Committee,

I support paid family and medical leave so the children and families of Connecticut have workplace leave policies that work for them, regardless of where they work. It's absurd that in 2016, workers in America can be fired for taking time off for their own medical emergencies, or for being a caretaker of a family member or a new baby. Our society works better when everyone works--and ordinary American workers, like myself, work best when we know our own health and that of our families is protected.

We must create a paid family and medical leave program so that workers can take time off to treat serious illness, care for family members, and care for and bond with new children. Workers should not have to choose between health and their job.

Thank you for taking up this important concern in your committee. I urge you to support Senate Bill 221.

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