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Dear Honorable Members of the *Legislative Committee*,

My name is *Michelle Brown* and I live in the *Hartford area but work in the Plainville area as a caregiver and Manager at CCARC, overseeing 5 individuals but in contact with over 200 individuals in the residential home and Day services*. I am testifying today in *support/opposition of HB 7092 and HB 7093 and HB 7071*.

My reason is because of the individuals with disabilities, I have found my purpose in life. They are people with encouragement and strength. They are needed for other people without disabilities whether they know it or not. The individuals come in different shapes and need awesome people to help and support them in being successful in their world no matter what it may be. Take the word CAN'T out of the individuals with disability lives-vocabulary and SAY THEY CAN with the help from you supporting their needs and wants.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Sincerely,

*Michelle Brown*

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