

## [SB 972: An Act Concerning Access To Birth Records By Adult Adopted Persons](#)

My name is Dick McQuade and I am a birth father. I am extremely fortunate that my birth daughter found her birth mother and me 21 years ago. If you pass this bill, you will give adoptees in Connecticut the chance to potentially learn and do the following things:

- 1) Discover their nationality and heritage.
- 2) Learn their familial medical and genetic history.
- 3) Potentially meet and build relationships with siblings and extended family.
- 4) Discover why they are the way they are.

The overwhelming majority of people in the adoption constellation are in favor of the benefits that this bill will bring. If my daughter had access to her information by law, she and I would have had even more time to build a history together.

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