

March 14, 2019

To the Co-Chairs Sen. Abrams and Rep. Steinberg, and vice chairs and members of the Public Health Committee:

My name is Mallory Buckingham. I live in Middletown. I am writing to urge your support of the legislative language to support the aid in dying of terminally ill patients, which is currently before your committee.

The committee bill's language is more detailed than the House Bill 5898, and is an excellent example of clearly marking the conditions and limitations under which people would be found eligible to participate.

As the attached fact sheet details, this legislation is voluntary on both the part of the physician and a patient. While I am only 54 and in good health, there is no telling what time will bring. After 10 years being considered by your committee but never voted out for debate, I urge you to vote this important legislation out of committee for a full debate of its merits, and offer critics a chance to have their fears and concerns addressed.

I would be happy to talk with you, and answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,  
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