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Hello and good afternoon. My name is Shaun Hein, my best regards to the Members of the Human Services Committee. I am in favor of the bill: S.B. NO. 956. AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN PERSONS REGARDLESS OF THEIR MIGRATION STATUS.

I recently came to the United States and now call Connecticut my home. I deserve health insurance because I have a chronic diabetes mellitus and need better care. I receive services from students in a clinic and don't have a doctor who knows me and sees me regularly. This clinic is over 45 minutes away from where I live and traveling there is difficult for me. I have four family members who have been unemployed during the global epidemic, and we are struggling to get by. For me, my fear of not having health insurance is mainly the fact that as a diabetic I cannot afford to pay for emergency medical treatment in the event of a sudden onset of a diabetic attack.

Please vote in favor of SB 956 so I can have equal access to health insurance like everyone else!

Thank you,  
Shaun Hein