

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB956  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF CT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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Dear Members of the Human Services Committee of Connecticut General Assembly:

My name is Chiqui Dalila Perez Ortiz, I am a parent and live in Hartford CT with my family. I am undocumented..

I stand in support of S.B. No. 956: "AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS," with clear language that extends eligibility to all HUSKY programs to all CT residents, regardless of immigration status.

I think this law is very important. My daughter wasn't born in this country and I have to pay a lot of money to take her to the doctor. Many times I have decided to not take care because of how much it costs. Even at the community health centers they ask for a lot of paperwork in order to access any kind of discount available. If we don't apply for these programs we can't afford it. Because of this, I haven't taken her to the doctor this year for her physical.

If this law is approved, our lives would change dramatically. I would be able to take my daughter to the doctor if she's sick without worrying about the cost.

I support S.B. No 956, with clear language to extend current HUSKY eligibility rules to all CT residents, regardless of immigration status, and I ask the committee to support this legislation.

Thank you for your time,

*Chiqui Dalila Perez Ortiz*

Member of Hartford Deportation Defense