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Dear Chairman Clippinger and Members of the Judiciary Committee,

**I write to urge you to vote in favor of HB1186, Reckless and Negligent Driving - Death of Another - Must-Appear Violation.**

It is not just the heartache or physical and emotional healing that our families and other families in the same situation will live with forever. It's also the what if's, what happened and how did this happen? You never stop thinking about it. It completely consumes you. Not only has your heart been crushed, but your everyday life has too. It changes EVERYTHING. Not a day goes by that your not saying, I can't believe this. Is this real? I need to know WHY? What happened? Why her? Does the person think about what they did or feel remorse for our family? You wanna know everything, just a TINY bit of closure. It's nothing anyone planned for, we didn't know it was going to happen. Would it have been easier if we knew? No, but we definitely would have sped up the process of our lives and gave our Mama everything she wanted and everything we wanted to give her while we had her, not only were we robbed of being able to do that, but she was too. She wanted nothing more than to make people happy take care of them and give where needed. She took care of us and made US happy. There was so MUCH more for all of us to do together (and we did everything together) and now we have to do it without her and to us, that's not ok . Sherry had so many more lives to touch, like she touched ours and so many others.....She would have touched yours.

July 5, 2020 will be a year since the tragic accident happened. One day after Fourth of July, which was the last time I hugged her, told her goodbye and I loved her while she was still able to actually see and hear me. Sherry was tragically taken from us one day before one of her 3 brother's birthday and one week from her only sons birthday. The month of July will never be the same for our families, because of one person, and we still don't know why. What was it, a phone call? A text? Did you fall asleep? Did you drop something? Were you sick? I guess we will never know, never get that tiny bit of peace of mind. So with that said please consider all the families that have gone through a tragic accident such as ours and were never given the chance to have that peace of knowing. Consider all the families from this day forth.... Let our Mama Dukez continue to keep taking care of people down here, let her have that back. Let there be SHERRYS LAW.

Thank you for your consideration. **Please vote in favor of HB1186.**

Sincerely,

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