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## Economic Matters

HB969

### Support Bill

Maryland Oncology Hematology  
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Good Afternoon Chairman Davis and Committee,

The Critical Medical Needs Program has helped our patients to keep their electric on as well as provide heating fuel at a time that they are most vulnerable. Many patients have to make the unfortunate decision to buy food or to buy medications. This program has given them the piece of mind that their utilities and heating/air conditioning needs are taken care of. They receive help with repairs and or replacement of appliances to provide the most energy efficient homes.

There is a population of people that are homebound and can not get to a medical providers office to help them navigate the program. Those people that do have home visits need a navigator guide them through the application process. They have to collect the appropriate documentation and complete the application. I am in favor of HB969 Power to the People to permit 211 and the Fuel fund to navigate our most unfortunate citizens.

The Critical Medical Needs Program has been a complete success for our patients and with HB969 it will ensure that a greater population of people get the help they so rightly deserve.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robin Lindenberger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Robin Lindenberger  
Patient Advocate at Maryland Oncology Hematology