

Raynette Raimer, Testimony House Bill 0973, Favorable

Good Afternoon,

Chairman Clippeinger, Vice Chair Atterbeary and Committee Members.

My name is Ms. Raynette Raimer and I am testifying in favor of HB0973.

I am a grandmother and since the death of my son I have not seen my grandchildren. Even before his passing she mother would not allow him to see their children when she was mad. The only time I got to see them was when she would allow my son time and he would bring them to see me.

I feel neglected and left out of their lives and missing precious time from them that I will never be able to make up. Since his death there has been no contact at all.

You see they are a big part of him and seeing them will allow me to see him through them. I know they cannot replace Maurice but the love I have for them is unconditional love. I feel that we are being cheated from their lives and cannot get those beautiful moments back. I miss hearing them calling me Grandmother and their laughter.

So, in closing I would like to thank you for listening to me and for you to really consider all that I said and shared with you about grandparents rights and being allowed to see our grandchildren. Please vote in favor of HB 0973. Thank you for your time.