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I am in support of the Ombudsman bill for the following reasons:

I. Medical

- I had pneumonia and was told for weeks there was nothing wrong with me until I eventually hospitalized for two weeks
- Glasses were ordered for me in June 2023 as of today I have not received them

II. Education

- Has only had eight people receive their G.E.D's in the past year

III. Programming

- There is no drug treatment and we have been told by the administration that drug addiction is a choice
- There is no support from the administration in maintaining the few programs we have left.

IV. COMAR

- It is the view of this administration that it is a guideline and can be changed as they see fit

For these reasons and many others I am in support of the Ombudsman bill.

Thank you,
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