

My name is Kimberly Lee, and I am testifying in support of HB 1518 “Granny’s Law”. I believe this bill should be passed so that personal representatives should not endure the hardship of not being able to carry out their loved one’s legacy.

I have watched Jennifer Johnson take impeccable care of her grandmother, Sylvia Johnson. Jennifer was working full time when her Ms. Johnson became ill to the point where she needed more care. There were plenty of times Jennifer had to leave her job to tend to her grandmother’s medical needs. It got to the point where Jennifer became her full-time care giver and was responsible fully for Ms. Johnson. Ms. Johnson was her number one priority, and Jennifer took this role and responsibility with grace and love. She stepped right in, and advocated for her grandmother’s safety, care, and quality of life.

Jennifer and her grandmother were very close, and she knows what her grandmother’s wishes were in respect to her legacy, and gifts. The types of charities that Ms. Johnsons choose to support meant a great deal to her family, due to the many health disparities that her family has suffered. If the intention for gifts is to help people who have suffered disproportionately health disparities, then the deceased wishes should be carried out in the manner that they were intended. No one should be concerned that their personal representative could be challenged about their intended wishes.

Thank you,

Kimberly Lee