

Dear Committee,

My wife and I have dedicated over 20 years to running a small in-home care business that supports our cherished Senior Community. We take immense pride in the work we do and in the caregivers who make such a significant difference in the lives of those we serve. While we strive to offer them fair wages and recognition, the potential passing of this bill poses an enormous challenge to the care our seniors rely on.

Many of our clients are doing everything they can to remain in their homes, and it's heartbreaking to think that this legislation could severely impact their access to essential support. We find ourselves balancing the need to support our employees with the obligation to keep our services affordable for the seniors who often have limited means.

I kindly urge you to reconsider the implications of this bill. Our seniors deserve the compassionate care they need to live with dignity and comfort in their own homes.

Thank you for your understanding.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Hovey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".