

Dear Representatives;

I am a current lung cancer patient scheduled for a lobectomy on March 19 at Hartford Hospital. Fortunately my prognosis is good at this point as there is no indication of cancer elsewhere in my body and Monday's procedure should be curative, god willing.

But in the alternative, I do believe however that one should have the right to seek qualified medical support in making end of life decisions especially when the alternatives are scant and there is no reasonable hope for a good quality of life existence.

No one should have to suffer and endure excruciating pain and family stress and suffering as well when there are merciful end of life alternatives that should be available with the help of trusted medical professionals.

Please support compassion and love; please support HB 5417.

Thank you.

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