

My name is Lyla Swafford, I am a 63 year old woman with Cerebral Palsy. I am able to walk in my house with a quad cane and I am a contributing member of society.

Since my balance is precarious I depend on hanging onto friends or riding a scooter when I go either shopping or attend meetings. Last summer when my scooter broke down I was very disappointed when the state would not provide a new scooter for me. I was a bit surprised because I had my old one for more than 15 years. The issue was that I did not need my scooter to get around my house. This has been a real hardship for me. I had to go without a scooter which was confining and unacceptable. This is why I support Bill HB 2937. The current stipulation around this issue is too confining. I hope that the phrase “in home use only” will be removed so that people can get out of their house and get on with living productive lives.

Thank you for considering HB 2937.

Sincerely,

Lyla Swafford