

I strongly oppose HB-4135. It is not the right of elected officials to decide the availability or level of care any person should receive near the end of their life regardless of cause. It is the responsibility of the family of the affected individual.

Perhaps providing the overly regulated medical community more incentives to create various levels of treatment in the private sector would relieve all levels of government from having to play God at times like these.

It may also result in a significant reduction in the financial burden to the "State" if tax incentives were utilized to assist families and private enterprise in providing end of life assistance to those in need.

Please consider stimulating free enterprise to create a multitude of options rather than the Federal or State Government entities that are often insulated from the needs of those in need.

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