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To whom this may concern,

Please do not pass HB 4135. A person in a vulnerable position, and who has an Advance Directive ought to be heard through one's Advance Directive and/or his/her family's discretion. While doctors make decisions everyday that involve the lives of their patients, it is the patients' best wishes and intentions that need to be upheld. HB 4135 puts these persons' lives and autonomy at risk. Not following an Advance Directive in the form of withholding fluids or life support for a patient who is elderly or who has Alzheimer's disease or dementia is not ethical. When I see doctors, I see years of hard work, money, and time dedicated to helping people. Please keep this image alive for me, because HB 4135 is having me doubt the ethics in our health care.

Be the people to give voice to those who are sick in body and mind. Advance Directives are legal documents, and ought to be viewed as such.

Bless you,  
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