

Dear Chair Barker,

I own Patient Support Services USA, llc. We are a small business that I started in 2013 to advocate for people applying for Social Security Disability benefits and Medicare Insurance. I have one employee and a very small profit margin. To give you an idea of just how small, in 2018 my profits were just over \$2,000. Additionally, throughout the year I paid myself a monthly salary of \$1,500 per month. I am able to keep my business going in part because of the one part time employee I have working for me. He is a stay at home dad who home schools his children and works for me as his time permits. We have a win win relationship in that he is given the flexibility he needs to take care of his personal responsibilities to his family yet he still can help his family financially because of his job with Patient Support Services USA, llc. In turn, I am able to call on him to help me with my work as needed. If HB 3031 were to pass I would not be able to afford the risk of keeping him on as an employee. He would lose his job and my business would not be allowed to grow. I would love to be able to provide my one employee with all the benefits big corporations can afford. In fact, I hope that some day my company will grow to such a size that we have many employees and can afford to offer the best benefits! However, my company will never be given the opportunity to grow if I am unable to afford to hire employees to help me grow my business. I urge you to vote NO on HB3031.

Sincerely,

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