

I support Senate Bill 1606:

To whom it may concern,

I have personally spent many hours in the hospital with people who are developmentally disabled. This bill is absolutely imperative to their health , safety and well-being. Most people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) experience some level of anxiety and/or PTSD, communication challenges and loneliness. Many times, they have very person specific way that they need support to stay safe and avoid behavioral challenges. Being left alone in the hospital is a risk that can be easily avoided by passing this bill. I support this bill so that no person will be left alone in the hospital without someone they know to be there for them.

Thank you

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