Submitter: Rebecca Phillips

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure: SB5506

Dear Members of the Committee,

I am writing in support of HB2994 (within SB 5506). Cochlear implants or other assistive listening devices are a medically necessary treatment in order to help children live their lives to the fullest potential. Ensuring children have the access to listening devices is not only the right thing to do for their quality of lives as fellow human beings, but will also likely reduce future costs of care for children that are deaf and hard of hearing by ensuring that they are able to learn crucial skills early on in their lives. Setting them up for success will help them in becoming productive and independent citizens.

Sincerely, Rebecca Phillips