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RE: H1991 An Act affirming a terminally ill patient's right to compassionate aid in dying
DT: 28 October 2015

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Joint Committee on Public Health,

Thank you for considering *H1991, An Act affirming a terminally ill patient's right to compassionate aid in dying* before your committee on October 27th.

I am supportive of this bill because I believe in a person's right to choose their own life outcomes. It is not my right to determine how someone with a terminal condition will live out their last days. Additionally, I believe this bill has enough protections written into the process to mitigate abuses such as the diagnosis of a terminal illness with less than six months projected life expectancy.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *H1991, An Act affirming a terminally ill patient's right to compassionate aid in dying* be released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Paul Heroux