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As a Nursing Home Administrator I support HB5076 Article 10.

Cherry Hill Manor has achieved a 5 Star quality rating overall and in quality of care 5 years in a row and a deficiency free survey by the Department of Public Health. We have accomplished this by determining the appropriate staffing level without a mandate from the State of RI. If the fines were imposed the facility would not survive.

Mandated staffing levels does not accomplish quality outcomes.

There are numerous staff in the facilities providing care that are not accounted for in the proposed mandated staffing. Care and quality of life is provided to residents by Nurse Managers, Activities personnel, Social Workers, Dietary staff and other staff members who function in an all hands-on deck work day to meet patient needs.

As someone who has been a Nursing Home Administrator for 30+ years, I support Article 10.

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