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I am an American medical student who will graduate with an M.D. this May. I live in Cumberland, Rhode Island, and take issue with the H7100 bill.

The original Hippocratic oath emphasizes the importance of "primum non nocere" or "first, do no harm." Implementing assisted suicide would blur the line between healing and harming, potentially devaluing human life and prematurely curtailing medical management. People considering this option are profoundly vulnerable and may feel pressured to end their lives to reduce the burden on their families. Our efforts are better directed at improving mental health facilities and palliative care services.

Sincerely, Maximilian Bonnici