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Dear Representative,

I am writing to you today to ask that you oppose 2025-H5219 *The Lila Manfield Sapinsley Compassionate Care Act* as well as any other similar efforts making it legal for another person to assist a terminally ill person in the act of suicide. This legislation is anything but compassionate. As hospice and palliative care have advanced, there is no need to see a person kill oneself. Many may refer to this act as MAID (Medical Assistance in Dying), but this is blatant euthanasia. Many may see it as compassionate, simply put it is murder.

The reasons this bill should not be even considered is not based on any religious dogma, but on common sense. It devalues human life. Once life becomes a burden on others let's just end that person's life. It will not stop here. It is as some would say a slippery slope. First the person he/herself wants to end his/her life, then the next thing is Dad is suffering. Let's change laws so that the next of kin can make the decision. How will such a law impact suicide prevention? If the dying can be assisted in suicide why cannot the person who is depressed or felling the stressors of life? Again hospice and palliative care can help people get through the end of life problems. Medication, counseling and family assistance can nullify the need for this act of euthanasia.

In closing, I ask that you take the time before casting your vote to [read](#) the article that I have attached. There is no reason for passage and I am asking you to help bring about its end, not that of our terminally ill.

Sincerely,

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