

Dear Chairperson Corvese and members of the House Labor Committee:

I am planning to start a family very soon, and the thought of only having six weeks off for my body to recover and get to know my new child is frankly... terrifying. Rhode Island should keep pace with other states and give new parents and other kinds of caregivers 12 weeks to deal with serious health crises. This support will help people keep their families afloat and get back to work from a more stable and healthy place.

Additionally, it's madness that siblings and grandchildren aren't already included in the definition of eligible care recipients. Families are expansive, and many members of a given family may need care.

I urge you to vote in favor of bill H7171.

Sincerely,
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