February 12, 2024

Re: Testimony in Support of H7171

Dear Chairperson Corvese and members of the House Labor Committee:

My name is Viktor Gavrielov and I live in Providence.

I support House bill 7171 because I think it is vitally important for the recipient of the caregiving, whether it's a newborn baby or any other family member. My wife and I are planning to start a family soon, and a major hurdle is getting the necessary amount of paid leave to nurture my future child. The 6 weeks paid leave we currently have available is grotesquely short.

I urge you to vote in favor of bill H7171.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to write to you. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely, Viktor Gavrielov 5 Almy St Providence 02909 RI