February 16,2015

To: Senate Workforce and House Business and Labor Committees From: Wildredo Duran Re: Support of SB454 and HB2005

Dear Chairs Dembrow and Holvey and Committee Members,

My name is Wildredo Duran. I'm currently in high school. I'm in the 12th grade and hope to graduate soon. I live with my Mom and three siblings. Whenever one of my siblings gets sick I have to stay home and care for them because my Mom has to work in order to provide us with the things we need. It's my last year in high school and having to skip school and stay home to take care of my siblings affects me greatly, since I need to complete all my homework and projects. I want my Mom to be allowed to have paid sick days so that I can complete all my work as a student.

My Mom and siblings aren't the only family I have. I have more family members in other cities and I wish for them all to also have paid sick days so that they can care for their children and not be worried about losing their jobs.

Sincerely,

Wildredo Duran.