

Submitter: Gerald McAfee  
On Behalf Of: The vulnerable elderly  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1003

The beautiful State of Oregon made an egregious error in allowing physician assisted suicide (PAS) about 30 years ago. Many warned at the time the measure legalizing PAS was approved by voters that Oregon had entered upon a slippery slope. This proposed measure, SB 1003, is one proof among others that those warnings were correct. Do we value human life or do we not? The elderly and infirm deserve better than opportunities to die early. They deserve compassion and good medical care. They deserve the respect and attention of their loved ones and of society as a whole. Please do not continue down the slippery slope that Oregon started on in the 1990's. Remember the respect that should be shown the elderly, the infirm and medical fragile persons.