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Why must we make it easier for people to take their own lives in this state? This law as written would make it exponentially easier to do so and will wind up taking fatal advantage of our most vulnerable citizens. Reducing the waiting period to 48 hours does not give an individual enough time to make such a permanent decision.

Changing the prescriber to anyone other than a medical doctor will lower the bar for physician assisted suicide to an unacceptable level as lesser trained practitioners may lack the necessary skills to properly assess the psychological and physical condition of the individual in question.