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I oppose any expansion to the Death With Dignity Act. As an RN with hospice experience I have seen the horror of this legislation first hand. There is no dignity in ending a human beings life intentionally. I am incredibly sad regarding the patients who feel the need to take their lives into their own hands. I believe that the medical establishment and community has failed these individuals who are suffering with terminal illness. We have the ability to keep our patients and family members comfortable through end of life. Shame on those who refuse to encourage and accompany them through to the end of their natural life. Death is just one stage of the journey, and so many have had their last days stolen through this horrible piece of legislation. Expanding the Death With Dignity Act can only increase what is already an egregious moral horror.