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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1003

I strongly oppose SB 1003, the death on demand assisted suicide Bill. This is a dangerous bill that doesn't take into consideration the mental status / frame-of-mind of the person. Numerous studies have shown that often, people who want to take their own lives are depressed and not being monitored by medical staff. If a person has clinical depression that goes untreated, they are not thinking rationally and are in the depths of despair. Medication and counseling can shed a sense of hope in these people's lives. And everyone deserves to have hope and happiness in their lives, which can be provided by relationships with other caring people. No human being should have their life de-valued.