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I would like to write to you in support of this bill. I have worked in the home health setting as a physical therapist assistant and it's a unique field to work in. We see vulnerable people who are home bound and need much care to be able to get back to being active members in their community. If we were paid per visit, this would drastically change our workload and make it much more difficult to provide the quality care our patients need. There is important time needed to coordinate proper care for these patient between disciplines and with a pay per visit model, this time would not be compensated for. Coordination outside of face to face contact with the patient also includes charting, coordination with doctors, and travel time to reach patient's in their home. These patients deserve to be more than a number in a productivity report. Please join me in supporting prohibiting pay per visit compensation in the home health and hospice settings.