

April 27th, 2025

Dear members of the committee,

I'm here to express my strong opposition to House Bill 3838. While I understand the good intentions behind this bill, I'm deeply concerned that our current Medicaid rates are simply not enough to support the requirements of this new bill. If this bill passes, it will put an undue burden on healthcare providers from all care home settings, impacting our ability to deliver care to our patients and push our small care homes to closure. I urge you to reconsider the financial implications of this bill and ensure that adequate funding is in place before moving forward.

My family has been in the industry since 2002 and is deeply committed to providing hands-on care to seniors, understanding their unique needs and challenges. I firmly believe that adding another layer of bureaucracy will only increase the challenges for everyone in this industry and will impact the residents directly. My goal is to advocate for solutions that prioritize care quality and provide robust support for both providers and residents alike. Adult care homes boast an impressive staff-to-resident ratio, typically around 1:5 or even 1:2. This allows for close attention, companionship, and timely assistance. Caregivers form strong bonds with residents, enhancing their overall wellbeing and health outcomes. Adult Care homes are self employed businesses where caregivers have growth opportunities and eventually they open their own care homes after the required training is fulfilled, many times owning multiple care homes and creating more jobs opportunities for other caregivers and quality care for more seniors. Please vote NO on HB3838 so that adult care homes can continue to exist and provide high quality care for seniors!

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