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Comments:

My name is Anthony Lenzer. I am a member of several aging advocacy organizations, but have no connections to the care home or adult foster care home industry. However, I recognize the important place which these facilities play in provision of services to frail elders and disabled persons in our state. I also recognize that, for some time, aging advocates have not generally been supportive of legislation affecting care homes in adult foster homes. Our focus has generally been on the nonprofit and governmental sectors and more specifically, on provision of home and community-based services. We have long felt that the Medicaid program, for example, has devoted too much money to institutional care, and not enough to home care. That said, I believe that it is time to recognize that all parts of the broad network of services for older and disabled persons must be regarded as important. For this reason, I offer my support for this resolution.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.