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To: Committee on Human Services
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RE: HR15/HCR53

We, in the Community Care Foster Family Home Program have already been Certified & Licensed by CTA (Community Ties of America) an Agency of the Department of Human Services & therefore I am against this measure since it is duplication of what is already been done.

→ RE: HR234/HCR 319

Our Agency does not believe that the above measure should be enacted as a legislative mandate since we are already over burdened by the documentation & reporting requirements stemming from the two Health Management Organizations that oversee our Adult Foster Care Program. Whereas, prior to February 2009, we only had to contend with one State Agency (CTA) and presently we have Three (3) that we report and are responsible to. (CTA, Evercare & Ohana). Besides this, our compensation has been slashed 17% and a Management & Financial Audit would only increase our operating cost & therefore result in additional Financial Stress not only for Ourselves, but also for many of the other agencies engaged in our program.

Finally, the majority of our Adult Foster Care Agencies have seasoned operators & staffs and in the 10 years that we have been engaged in this business, we cannot recall any Agency that had been forced to terminate their operations due to poor management or lack of sufficient operating capital.