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MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES
Sen. Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair

RE: HB 569

My name is Lilia Fajotina, Care Home Operator, I strongly support HB 569.

Thank you very much for allowing me to testify!

Sincerely,

Lilia Fajotina
Care Home Operator

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Testimony Supporting of HB 569 – HMS/HTH - Mar. 17, 2011, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 016

Dear Members of the Committee:

The Alliance of Residential Care Administrators (ARCA) **supports HB569** that would require recipients of medical assistance under any Medicaid program administered by the Department of Human Services to actively re-enroll in such program every year. We understand this would eliminate automatic re-enrollment.

Care homes receive a fraction of the reimbursement paid to larger facilities. For Medicaid clients, care homes receive \$1,200 to \$2,500 per month per client as opposed to full-service nursing homes who receive \$6,000 to \$7,000 per month per client for the same level of care. Acute care facilities receive even more, on an exponential basis.

Although we are happy to save the State 66-75% per client, some level of parity must be established. Our providers are struggling. Some have lost their homes through foreclosure. Although clients can be relocated to other homes, operators and their families are displaced.

ARCA believes this bill would be in the best interest of both providers and clients. No compromise to the health or safety of the public will arise from this measure.

For these reasons, ARCA supports HB569.

Very truly yours,

Alliance of Residential Care Administrators

Medy DeLara, President