

I am writing as a concerned citizen and as a patient of a deadly disease.

My name is Marcia Julson and I have lived my whole life with cystic fibrosis (CF). It is an incurable genetic disease. When I was born, the life expectancy was very low. Through research and advancements in medications and therapies, I have defied the odds many times over. I will be 52 years old in 2 weeks.

Every day I am alive, I take numerous medications and do breathing treatments just to stay as healthy as I can. Some of my medications cost thousands of dollars each month. I do have two co-pay cards that help immensely with the costs, but there is still a huge financial burden on patients like myself.

Please find it in your hearts to pass HB 1216 to help those of us who need to use co-pay cards.

Thank you.

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