Matt Pritchard DHHS (OADS) LD 1761

Hello. My Name is Matt Pritchard. I work for the office of aging and disability services (DS CRISIS TEAM). I am writing in favor of this act LD 1761. As Crisis Workers in the mental health field we deal with a number of challenging behaviors on both a mental and physical level. As a person ages it becomes harder to manage these behaviors especially on the physical level. Physical restraints are very hard for someone in their 60's and many injuries have occurred. Physical and mental exhaustion commonly occur. If you you could strongly consider passing LD 1761 it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.