

Owen Neubauer  
Committee Administrator of Senate Civil Law Committee

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Re: Written Testimony in Support of SF 182.

Dear Members of the Civil Law and Data Practices Policy committee:

I was astounded to hear from Rick Rayburn when he explained how he had been put on Medicaid and had not been told that the State could later recover cost incurred for his health care and insurance from his estate. This is an unspeakable way to treat our fellow Minnesotans and this needs to be reversed for these unexpected Medicaid recipients. I am in favor of Senator Rarick's bill, SF182, to permanently expunge records of all amounts against their estates and want you to vote in favor also.

As an aside, these folks tried to pay back the money but were told there was not a way for the State to except the money and they could not expunge their records.

Look forward to hearing your positive consideration of SF 182.

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