

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF H.B. 731**  
**Department of Aging - Dementia Care Coordinator and Dementia Care**  
**Navigation Program**

Dementia, including Alzheimer's, is a devastating disease that affects the afflicted person's entire family, friends, and coworkers.

We watch our loved ones who were once our mainstay, our support, our strength crumble. It takes years of agony watching this.

To establish a Dementia Care Coordinator in the Department of Aging to oversee care navigation programs will be a big step forward in assisting the caregivers as we travel through this nightmare.

I trust the members of the Committee will understand our needs and give this Bill a favorable vote.

Thank you.

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