

Chairman, Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

Please accept my compliments for yesterday as a body rejecting the vague language of HB328. It's language was drawn from The Supreme Court's Baxter decision. You demonstrated that vague judicial language does not pass as legislation here in Montana. You guys read the bills.

Now find HB 477 that provides the bright line that our medical community is begging for after being unsettled since 2008.

HB 477 defines the vague language of the court while assuring the public that all our choices of the Terminally Ill Act of 1993, Title 10, chapters 9 and 10 are intact.

Choices are all in good order such as end-of-life palliative care in which a dying person receives medication to alleviate pain that may hasten the dying person's death or any act to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining treatment.

These specifics address most all of the objections voiced on the floor yesterday.

Please do pass HB 477.

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