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John Garamendi
412 G Street
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Dear Mr. John Garamendi:

My name is Bailey Peterson and I am currently a Clinical Nutrition student at UC Davis. I am writing to you for support for bill 1192: National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act.

I am in support of this bill because I believe we need to promote more effective implementation of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes, diabetes, and the chronic disease that results from diabetes itself. This bill states that Americans are increasingly getting diagnosed with either pre-diabetes, or diabetes; 3,000,000-7,000,000 people since 2011, and it is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States. Individuals with diabetes are more prone to other chronic diseases, such as cardiovascular disease, stroke, and high blood pressure, along with now being the leading cause of new cases of blindness.

One in three Medicare dollars are currently being spent on people with diabetes. As a working member of society and as a taxpayer, it is important that we adopt better implementation for diabetes patients, that way they can get the care they need without breaking the taxpayer's bank. Total national costs associated with diabetes is said to exceed \$245,000,000,000.

This bill wants the department to take a look at how they can use preventative health benefits that may reduce the risk of diabetes and the chronic diseases. Recommendations should be made for all health care professionals that are caring for people with pre-diabetes diabetes or chronic disease of diabetes.

From being in a family of diabetics and being involved in a cardiovascular internship, where most patients suffered from diabetes, I know how draining it can be for the people with the disease. I would like you to support this bill, as it would be not only beneficial for the patients but also for the taxpaying community. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Bailey Peterson

