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Supporting Social Work Licensure Modernization Act

I support House Bills 5184 and 5185 Social Work Licensure Modernization Act. I have been working as a social worker in Michigan for over 30 years. I have one renewal left on my current LLMSW. I have a LBSW that I received before licensing was required. It's hard to believe if I'm unable to pass the social work licensing test I will no longer be able to work in the field that I love. Currently I work as a hospice social worker that cares about my patient and their families. I have devoted my entire life to social work and helping people that can't help themselves. I hope that one exam will not keep me from doing what I love, what I've committed myself to. What a loss it would be for the patients I serve and the companies that so many of us work for. Thank you for your consideration and please understand that one exam does not make you a more capable social worker.