Email Subject Line: Concerns House Bill 3035

Honorable INSERT LEGISLATOR NAME

West Virginia House of Delegates

Dear Delegate INSERT NAME:

House Bill 3035 has been referred to your committee. The purpose of this bill is to terminate the West Virginia Board of Licensed Dieticians (WVBOLD) on June 30, 2022. This has the potential to negatively impact your constituents.

WVBOLD is obligated to protect the health and safety of West Virginians by ensuring those providing medical nutrition care do not cause adverse effects.

There is an assumption that WVBOLD and the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) are duplicative. This is not the case. CDR is a national credentialling body and does not have the capacity to focus on the health and safety of West Virginians.

WVBOLD is uniquely prepared to do this by:

* being vigilant about the competency of individuals that are licensed.
* reviewing complaints about non-licensed individuals providing nutrition care to individuals with medical conditions.
* educating these individuals on the training needed to provide medical nutrition therapy

Please find attached a fact sheet with additional information on the impact that loss of licensure will have to your constituents and to the currently overburdened health care system.

I appreciate your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Melanie Pagliaro, MAP & Associates, LLC (melanie@mapandassociates.com | 304-612-1815).

Regards,

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