

Regarding HF1930:

I am testifying in opposition to this bill.

I am representing only myself.

I do not intend to participate in the hearing.

Suicide, regardless of one's intentions or the parties involved, is always immoral.

Each human life has an inherent dignity that cannot be diminished by either interior factors, such as one's opinion of themselves, or external factors, such as their health.

This dignity requires us to preserve our life and the lives of others using all reasonable means. When it is no longer in our power to preserve life by reasonable means, it is our responsibility to recognize and accept death as unavoidable. Until that point is reached, we have a duty to preserve our lives.

To intentionally end one's life, to commit suicide, is to act in direct opposition to our dignity, to commit a serious injustice against oneself. It is always immoral.

To assist another in committing suicide is to act in direct opposition to their dignity, and is always immoral.

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