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Chairperson and Members of the Committee,

Childcare providers already work under strict regulations to ensure the safety and well-being of children. House Bill 647, however, punishes families for risks or allegations that have not been proven. Parents like me should not be forced to bear the consequences of a system that assumes guilt before due process.

My child depends on the stability, routine, and trusted care provided at **Pitter Patter Learning Center**. Sudden suspensions or closures would create chaos for my family, leaving me scrambling to find safe care while balancing work and daily responsibilities. This kind of disruption is stressful, unnecessary, and harmful to both children and families.

I urge the committee to consider the real impact on families and reject House Bill 647. Families and children should not be penalized for a system that acts before facts are verified.

Respectfully,

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