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Chairwoman Manchester, Vice Chairman Cutrona, Ranking Member Liston and members of the House Families, Aging, and Human Services Committee thank you for the opportunity to provide opposing testimony today on Sub SB 58.

I oppose this bill for at least these reasons:

1. It appears Assisted Living Facilities are not included in this bill which has been no issue to be included in Camera Laws in several other states including Minnesota and Missouri among others.
2. There is not a standard prescribed form that MUST be composed by the ODH to be used in all facilities with included time frame for this form to be composed to ensure the rights of the resident and roommate (if there is one) is protected.
3. There is no clear path or procedure and time frames with direction on what permissions, forms, and notifications needed to put a camera in a room.

When facilities were permitted to have their own policies during the pandemic, there was much chaos happening. In like situations some families would be able to visit their family members and at some facilities they could not. We need consistent policy and procedures that are followed no matter what facility our loved one resides.

Cameras in both Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities critically need to be proactive in helping those residing in these facilities.

Respectfully,  
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