

Emails in Opposition to HB 99 – 4.13.2015

*Includes emails from:*

*Chris Selin*

*Octavio Suarez – Spain*

*Heather*

From: Chris Selin [REDACTED]  
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 4:48 AM  
To: Rep. Paul Seaton  
Subject: Voluntary termination bill

Dear Rep. Seaton,

The assisted suicide bill is counter to the role of physician and should not be passed. Please consider this opposition and the advice of many physicians who do not support passage if it.

Thank you for your work.

Sincerely, Christine Selin

**From:** Octavio Suarez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2015 8:35 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Octavio Suarez, ID 76947631G, please vote against the House Bill 99

Dear Member of the House Health & Social Services Committee:

In a first place, excuse me for disturbing you. My name is Octavio Suarez, Spanish citizen with ID 76947631G. I write to you because I have read in the news that the Alaska Legislature hold on April 9<sup>th</sup> the first hearing on the House Bill 99, sponsored by Representative Harriet Drummond, which proposes to bring Oregon-style assisted suicide to Alaska.

I know that I am not American citizen, but, since the USA are the most important country in the world, all that happens in the States is, or can be, an example for other nations. So, I respectfully write this e-mail for asking you to vote against the House Bill 99 in order to keep Alaska free of doctor-assisted suicide. It is said by the Opinion 2.211 of the American Medical Association Code of Medical Ethics that:

“...allowing physicians to participate in assisted suicide would cause more harm than good. Physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would pose serious societal risks. Instead of participating in assisted suicide, physicians must aggressively respond to the needs of patients at the end of life. Patients should not be abandoned once it is determined that cure is impossible.”

Sincerely yours

Octavio Suarez

**From:** Heather [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:44 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 99 & support Hope

**Please OPPOSE HB 99 and keep Alaska free of doctor-assisted suicide.**

I agree that allowing physicians to participate in assisted suicide would cause more harm than good. **Physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer**, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would pose serious societal risks. Instead of participating in assisted suicide, physicians must aggressively respond to the needs of patients at the end of life. Patients should not be abandoned once it is determined that cure is impossible.” (*AMA Code of Medical Ethics, Opinion 2.211, emphasis added*).

*There is always hope - tell me this is true!! ~Heather*