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**Statement
of
Lou Howard and Kevin Price**

Mr. Chairman and members of the Judiciary Committee, our names are Kevin Price and Lou Howard. Emma Price-Howard was our mother and wife. Emma's life ended because doctors and nurses failed to communicate, and as a result, antibiotics that would have cleared up an infection were not given in a timely fashion, resulting in her death.

Despite asking questions, we were never told the truth. We only learned the truth after hiring a lawyer to investigate her death.

As many of you know, losing a loving wife and caring mother, under any circumstance is horrific – but to lose her to another's negligence is unbearable.

Both of our lives are changed forever. I, Lou, have lost my best friend, companion and guiding light. I, Kevin, have lost the calming influence and advice of a mother I spoke to everyday.

Please don't make it more difficult, if not impossible, to hold negligent health care providers accountable. Please help Nevadans by passing laws that will reduce negligent treatment of patients, so that other Nevadans won't have to endure the pain and loss we experience daily.

Thank you for your consideration.