

January 31, 2008

Dear House Professional Licensure Committee,

My name is Amanda Zimmerman and I am a senior at Bloomsburg University in Bloomsburg Pennsylvania. I am majoring in American Sign Language / English Interpreting and in August of 2008 I will graduate with a Bachelor's of Science. I am contacting you with regards to the House Bill 1596. This Bill affects me greatly as a soon to be working Interpreter in the state of Pennsylvania. Within my Interpreter Training Program here at Bloomsburg, we have learned in great depth the Code of Professional Conduct and I will adhere to it as a professional interpreter citing tenet 2.0,(Interpreters possess the professional skills and knowledge required for the specific interpreting situation), 3.0, (Interpreters conduct themselves in a manner appropriate to the specific interpreting situation), and in particular 3.2, (Decline assignments or withdraw from the interpreting profession when not competent due to physical, mental or emotional factors), (rid.org). I am also planning to take the NIC written test this coming spring and this will test me on ethics of the Code of Professional Conduct and also the 3.2 tenet.

I strongly encourage you to pass the House Bill of 1596 this year. Thanks you for your time and have a nice day!

Sincerely,

Amanda Zimmerman