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**From:** Rep. Sara Cambensy (District 109)  
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**To:** Sara Cambensy  
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Message Body:

Rep. Cambensy, I hope you are well. This is Mike Rutledge from veteran services and manager of the ESA approval process at NMU (most people just know Welles my dog). I was hoping that you would reintroduce the ESA bill you had authored as the situation is becoming something more than out-of-hand.

As more students see animals and ask their peers how they are allowed, they will rush to a social worker or their family physician who will always placate the student and write something which meets the vague FHA criteria for approval. I am finding MOST of the healthcare provider letters I receive are just this and there is no way I can legally verify that the letters authors are actually treating the student for some qualifying condition.

The bill that you had proposed was solid and would assist in reining in some of these healthcare providers who write these letters willy-nilly with no consideration of other students well being or even the well being of the animals which are relocated from the previous abode as a household pet and must now live in a confined 8 X 8 dorm room for hours at a time.

Thank you for your time.

Submitted by  
Rep. Cambensy  
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