

To The Committee of the Whole:

I RICHARD W. WERT am a Quadriplegic Wheelchair User With Cerebral Palsy in Las Vegas, and I vehemently oppose the proposed Oakland Athletics baseball stadium.

While the State of Nevada and Clark County want to give upwards of \$380 Million to a dumb baseball stadium, since I arrived in Nevada thirty one years ago, Nevada has denied me services of all kinds, telling me I'm "Not Disabled Enough", even though for my nearly 59 years of life I've NEVER been able to dress/bathe/toilet, etc. without help. In 2000, I left Nevada for several years for California because I was denied services—I got attendant care upon arrival in California within 10 days, after fighting with Nevada Medicaid for 10 months because I chose to live independently, which eventually forced me into my first bankruptcy.

In the early 2000s, my late father ended up in a nursing home, and the substandard, abusive care was funded by Nevada Medicaid. He died in 2008, and I returned with a caregiver; my mother, his Medicaid Estate Recovery (MER) exempt spouse died in 2017. After I notified Nevada Medicaid, and other appropriate parties of her death, Nevada Medicaid refused to talk to me, but communicated only with Legislative Counsel Bureau employee Barbara Dimmitt, whose interactions with me were borderline abusive & her unauthorized communications with NVDHHS were violative of HIPAA and my state privacy rights—I was ignored by both former LCB Director Rick Combs & his successor, Brenda Erdoes.

Eventually, even though I'm a MER exempt Adult Disabled Child, in 2017 I paid Nevada Medicaid their extortion amount of \$3,341.67 to keep my 40 year old mobile home on rented land—in 2017, my monthly SSDI benefits were \$1,109, giving a new meaning to #HomeMeansNevada. Subsequently, I had to take a measly pension buyout from a former employer—that money is now gone. In 2021, I had to file bankruptcy a second time, so thanks to Nevada Medicaid I'm bankrupt twice, while they've done ZERO for me BUT they've done plenty to me. Nevada Medicaid can keep their money, and the Medicaid Lien can stay Released. I hate Neanderthal Nevada, but I'm too poor to escape, while the Oakland Athletics want \$380 Million AND I GET ZERO!!!!

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