

Public Comment
Sullivan County Legislature
Health and Human Services Committee
Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 11:30 a.m.

Good Morning.

I am Martha Scoppa from Liberty.

I am also a member of the Senior Legislative Action Committee.

I did not plan to speak today, and I am a little bit thrown by your story [acknowledgment of Dorothy, previous speaker], but on another topic:

I am concerned about the attendance of legislators at this meeting. Health & Human Services is the last meeting of the day and there is history from last year of delayed starts and very late adjournments. That has not been the case so far in 2025, however. Health & Human Services is no less important than other committees, and the physical presence of legislators matters to discussion and interaction. This in-person presence is better for the committee than when legislators watch remotely. I believe there is a responsibility for legislators to participate in the committees on which they serve. To me, it looks like some legislators don't care.

Thank you.

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