

The following sample text supporting A4770 and S4058 can be used when contacting your members of the New Jersey General Assembly and Senator by email or phone.

#### **ASSEMBLYPERSON**

As your constituent, I respectfully request your support of **A4770**. The bill would allow caregivers of those with Alzheimer's disease to receive a disability placard to park in spaces reserved for people with disabilities when transporting a person with dementia to medical appointments or other destinations that involve public parking. Currently Alzheimer's disease is not listed on the NJMVC application and qualifying for a placard is open to interpretation.

I am also requesting that you contact the chairs and vice chairs of The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee and urge them to post the bills to the next scheduled committee meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely, Name, email, City

# For caregivers - feel free to add the following text or a personal statement in your communication to your Assembly Representative.

As a caregiver, this bill is especially important to me. As you may know, among other cognitive difficulties, Alzheimer's disease causes memory loss, confusion, poor reasoning and judgement and difficulty following directions. Taking my loved one to an appointment is stressful enough without having to search for a parking space once we arrive. The ability to have a close parking space would relieve some of my stress by enabling me to guide my loved one more easily to our destination.

### **SENATOR**

As your constituent, I respectfully request your support of **\$4058**. The bill would allow caregivers of those with Alzheimer's disease to receive a disability placard to park in spaces reserved for people with disabilities when transporting a person with dementia to medical appointments or other destinations that involve public parking. Currently Alzheimer's disease is not listed on the NJMVC application and qualifying for a placard is open to interpretation.

I am also requesting that you contact the chairs and vice chairs of The Senate Transportation Committee and urge them to post the bills to the next scheduled committee meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely, Name, Email, City

# For caregivers- feel free to add the following text or a personal statement in your communication to your Senator.

As a caregiver, this bill is especially important to me. As you may know, among other cognitive difficulties, Alzheimer's disease causes memory loss, confusion, poor reasoning and judgement and difficulty following directions. Taking my loved one to an appointment is stressful enough without having to search for a parking space once we arrive. The ability to have a close parking space would relieve some of my stress by enabling me to guide my loved one more easily to our destination.

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND CO-CHAIRS

### **Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee**

I urge you to post bill **A4770** to the next scheduled committee meeting of the Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee.

(Refer to sample text for Assembly Representative)

## **Senate Transportation Committee**

I urge you to post bill **\$4058** to the next scheduled committee meeting of the Senate Transportation Committee.

(Refer to sample text for Senator)

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