Co-Sponsor the Living Donor Act H.R. 1270
Promoting organ donation and protecting the rights of living organ donors

The Need is Now: End the Nation’s Organ Shortage

**EVERY 15 MINUTES**
a patient is added to the
kidney wait list

**10 AMERICANS DIE**
every day waiting for a
kidney transplant

**NEARLY 100,000**
Americans are on
the transplant wait
list this year

The Living Donor Protection Act: Eliminating Barriers to Transplantation

**Protects Donors**
Ensures donors are not denied or given limited coverage or higher premiums for life, disability, and long-term care plans.

**27% OF LIVING ORGAN**
donors experience difficulty securing or paying for insurance.¹

**Secures Employment**
Allows living organ donors to use FMLA time to recover from donation surgery and maintain job security.

**UP TO 4 WEEKS**
before
donors typically return to work.

Transplantation is Cost Effective for Medicare

**$34,084** PER transplant patient per year **VS. $88,195** PER hemodialysis patient per year

Over 10 years, Medicare could save **$250MIL–$780MIL** by increasing living donation by 10%.²


² Estimated savings are from keeping privately insured patients off of Medicare and do not reflect cost differences among patients already on Medicare. Estimated range assumes 45% of new transplant recipients are privately insured. Low estimate reflects Medicare expenditures for dialysis care only; high estimate reflects Medicare expenditures for average dialysis patients’ total cost of care.