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SB765 Incapacitated persons; finding of mental incompetence.

The League of Women Voters of Virginia has first-hand knowledge regarding the need for this legislation. We were approached by a woman who sought limited guardianship for her daughter, a woman with Down's who had voted before and had a job. She did this to protect her assets from a scam artist who might play on her kind heart. At no time during this process did the judge or any attorney explain to her that this would deprive her daughter of her voting rights. It wasn't until she went to vote in the next election that she learned that she had been disenfranchised.

We applaud Senator Favola for this bill and strongly urge the Committee to pass it.