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California State Senate

SENATOR ROSILICIE OCHOA BOGH

TWENTY-THIRD SENATE DISTRICT



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The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of California Attn: Legislative Affairs State Capitol, 1st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Request for Veto on Assembly Bill 1184 (Chiu)

Dear Governor Newsom,

This letter serves as our official request for you to veto Assembly Bill 1184. AB 1184 prevents a parent from being informed when their minor who is 12 years and older receives medical services covered by the parent's healthcare insurance.

We should be encouraging parents and families to be involved in their children's lives, not removing them further from it. This bill, in an effort to further hide information from parents and caregivers, would put policyholders in the impossible position of being financially responsible for bills they did not incur and cannot verify as being legitimate. Additionally, it further limits parents' abilities to protect their children by removing them from sensitive conversations as early as 12 years old. Parents have a right to be involved in sensitive medical decisions for their young children.

For these reasons, we respectfully request your veto.

Sincerely,

ROSILICIE OCHOA BOGH

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