House Bill Version - H 7082

March 2, 2024

The Honorable Joseph J. Solomon, Jr. Chairman, House Corporations Committee Rhode Island State House Providence, RI 02903

Re: OPPOSED to House Bill - H 7082

Dear Chairman Solomon:

I am writing in opposition to the proposed legislation H 7082, which would impose a medical loss ratio on dental benefit plans. I work with numerous businesses throughout Massachusetts and have seen how the passage of a loss ratio has created market disruption with five insurance carriers already leaving and the regulations have not even been released yet.

Our dental premiums in Rhode Island have remained stable, and the employees and their dependents enrolled in programs we represent have enjoyed excellent coverage. If this bill is passed in its current form, it will result in a significant increase in premiums and less choice (just like what is happening in Massachusetts).

For these reasons, I strongly oppose the proposed bill.

Thank you for your consideration of our opposition on this matter.

Sincerely,

James Sullivan