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## Memorandum

To: The Honorable Dan Hawkins, Chair

House Health and Human Services Committee

From: William W. Sneed, Retained Counsel

America's Health Insurance Plans

Date: February 2, 2017

RE: HB 2119

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee: My name is Bill Sneed and I am Retained Counsel for America's Health Insurance Plans ("AHIP"). AHIP is the national trade association representing the health insurance industry. AHIP members provide health and supplemental benefits to more than 200 million Americans through employer-sponsored coverage, the individual and small group insurance markets, and public programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. Members offer a broad range of health insurance products in the commerce marketplace and have also demonstrated a strong commitment to participation in public programs throughout the country. Please accept this memorandum as my client's neutral position on HB 2119.

Since this bill was docketed up for hearing last Thursday, we have been exchanging information and questions with the KDS. At the time I was required to file testimony with the Committee per Committee rules, those discussions were still ongoing.

Thus, my client, at the very least, wanted to go on the record to inform the Committee that we are trying to determine if we have any issues with the new language, and preserve our right to object in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

William W. Sneed