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Legislative Testimony
Insurance and Real Estate Committee
Proposed HB 6088 – An Act Concerning Disclosure of Certain Third-Party
Administrator Fees
Thursday, February 14, 2019

Dear Senator Lesser, Representative Scanlon, and Members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee,

My name is Dr. Laurence Levy. I have been a practicing general dentist in Connecticut for 26 years. My office is located in Middletown. I currently serve on the Board of Governors for the Connecticut State Dental Association, District VII; and volunteer as one of the Co-Chairs of the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic. I am writing in support of SB writing in support of HB 6088 – An Act Concerning Disclosure of Certain Third-Party Administrator Fees.

Every dental insurance carrier that I deal with has different procedures to follow, different coverages, and different methods of reimbursement. When a patient has a question, I should be able to answer that patient intelligently about their coverage, but this has proven to be impossible. The rules and regulations that a dental Insurance company follows are different if they have a not for profit or for profit status, if they are an insurance company or follow ERISA laws.

This bill standardizes provisions between the provider and the contracting health insurance organization. It provides needed transparency and consistency in both medical and dental procedure codes. The bill also provides needed communications regarding payments, contract requirements, inquiries and appeals and responsibilities. This bill is long overdue.

For the reasons stated above, I urge you to adopt HB 6088.

Respectfully Submitted,

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