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TO: William Lippert, Chair and members of the House Health Care Committee
FROM: Lila Richardson, Office of the Health Care Advocate
RE: H.761 proposed language
DATE: February 17, 2016

As you requested, I am writing to suggest some substitute language for H.761 which would indicate that the Green Mountain Care Board's plan referenced in the bill would not be required to reduce the number of measures currently reported by primary care providers.

The current language provides that

The Board shall develop a plan to align performance measures across programs to reduce the number of reporting requirements for providers.

The Office of the Health Care Advocate suggests the following alternative language:

Board shall develop a plan to align performance measures across programs. *The plan shall balance the administrative burden to reduce the number of reporting requirements for providers and the need to have sufficient measures to adequately measure quality of and access to care for different populations served by the health care system.*

Further modification of language, suggested by Rep. Lippert:

Board shall develop a plan to align performance measures across programs. *The plan's goal shall be to reduce the administrative burden to reduce the number of reporting requirements for providers, while balancing and the need to have sufficient measures to adequately measure quality of and access to care. for different populations served by the health care system.*