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Senate Health & Welfare Committee 115 State Street Montpelier, VT 05633

## **Dear Committee Members:**

I represent the Vermont Healthcare Association (VHCA), the trade group for long-term care facilities including nursing facilities, residential care homes and assisted living residences. VHCA members place the utmost priority on ensuring the health, safety, and well-being of the residents they care for.

Unfortunately, I could not join the committee's discussion of H.635 today due to prior obligations. However, given the strains of legislative time during this time, I wanted to inform you that VHCA is neutral with respect to H.635 as passed by the House of Representatives. As understood by VHCA, this bill provides the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living with greater clarity in the standards applicable in receivership proceedings, based on recent experience involving residential care homes. VHCA has not been directly involved in such proceedings.

Should the committee decide to make any changes to H.635, VHCA would certainly like an opportunity to review and comment on any proposed modifications to the bill.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Laura Q. Telosi

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