

Dear Senator Lyons,

As discussed in Committee today, I am submitting alternative language for S. 290 draft 1.1 (M) and (Q)

Further detail is below:

Current: (M) information on the ACO's administrative costs, as defined by the Board, including the annual salaries and benefits by position for all of the ACO's management-level employees

Alternative Language: information on the ACO's administrative costs, as defined by the Board, including reporting of annual salaries and benefits mirroring hospital reporting and/or the IRS 990 requirements for executive compensation.

Current: (Q) the ACO's efforts to educate providers on best practices and protocols for patient management;

Alternative Language: the ACO's efforts to educate providers on best practices and clinical workflows that support the ACO's performance on its payer quality measures and/or the ACO's annual clinical priority

Also as discussed today, the GMCB and OneCare agree that (N) and (O) under Section 1. 18 V.S.A. § 9382 Oversight of Accountable Care Organizations should be removed. I have included the language below that should be removed.

Current: (N) the effect, if any, of Medicaid reimbursement rates on the rates for other payers

Recommended: Remove

Current: (O) the extent to which the ACO makes its costs transparent and easy to understand so that patients are aware of the costs of the health care services they receive

Recommended: Remove

Many thanks.

Be well

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