Chair Lyons,

I wanted to let you know on behalf of the Vermont Association for Justice, we fully support the compromise language on the hospital lien bill that you are reviewing tomorrow. We worked hard with all of the stakeholders including the Hospital Association; Blue Cross; and the Health Care Advocate's office to come to a compromise that updates our hospital lien statute in a manner that feels fair to all of those impacted by it.

I will be in the room tomorrow if you want me to say anything on the record in support of the bill or if you and the committee have any questions. I look forward to hearing your discussion and to supporting passage of this important legislation this session.

Best, David