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The Honorable Pam Beidle Chair, Senate Finance Committee 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

## House Bill 1337 – Health Insurance – Appeals and Grievances – Reporting Requirements

Dear Chair Beidle,

The League of Life and Health Insurers of Maryland, Inc. supports *House Bill 1337 – Health Insurance – Appeals and Grievances – Reporting Requirements* and urges the committee to give the bill a favorable report.

House Bill 1337 already requires carriers on a quarterly basis, to submit to the Commissioner, on the a report that describes information on the appeals and grievance process as well as data on those procedures. HB 1337 adds to this report the number of members entitled to health care benefits issued in the state as well as the number of clean claims for reimbursement processed by each carrier.

As we reform the prior authorization process this session with a variety of approaches and legislative initiatives, HB 1337 is a logical step in created transparency for consumers.

For these reasons, the League urges the committee to give House Bill 1337 a favorable report.

Very truly yours,

Matthew Celentano Executive Director

cc: Members, Senate Finance Committee