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To: The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass
Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee

From: The Office of the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division

Re: Senate Bill 173 (Health Insurance - Nonprofit Health Service Plan - Board of Directors): Information

The Office of the Attorney General's Health Education and Advocacy Unit (HEAU) acknowledges and thanks the sponsor and the proponent, CareFirst, for amending the bill to increase the number of consumer members on the board from 2 to 3. We believe having 3 consumer members on the board should contribute to the proportionality of industry and consumer input as CareFirst's business model changes in ways that will materially impact consumers.

cc: Senator Feldman, Sponsor