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**House Bill 1068 – Commission on Responsible Artificial
Intelligence in Maryland**

SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of House Bill 1068- Commission on Responsible Artificial Intelligence in Maryland. We respectfully ask for an amendment to the bill to include a representative of the Maryland Managed Care Organization Association (MMCOA) serve on the Commission on Responsible Artificial Intelligence, established by the bill’s provisions.

The Maryland Managed Care Organization Association’s (MMCOA) nine member Medicaid MCOs that serve over 1.5 million Marylanders through the Medicaid HealthChoice program support efforts, including those stated in the provisions of House Bill 1068, to explore issues concerning the use of artificial intelligence (A.I.) in the State.

Maryland’s MCOs play a significant and meaningful role in the lives of our members who often experience negative physical and behavioral health conditions stemming from certain health care inequities, which is an area of concern when incorporating A.I. capabilities into addressing public health needs. Given the experience and knowledge that MCOs have in the public health sector, including the Medicaid Program, we respectfully ask that House Bill 1068 be amended to include a representative of MMCOA to serve as a member of the Commission on Responsible Artificial Intelligence.

Maryland’s HealthChoice members- as well as all Marylanders- will benefit from the much-needed work of the Commission, and the MCOs welcome the opportunity to be involved in this effort to ensure the health and well-being of those we serve.

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