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

Senate Bill 93 - Health Insurance – Utilization Review – Private Review

Dear Chair Beidle,

The League of Life and Health Insurers of Maryland, Inc. respectfully **opposes** Senate Bill 142 - Health Insurance – Utilization Review – Private Review and urges the committee to give the bill an unfavorable report.

The League and our members are committed to finding ways that prior authorization can be improved, while balancing efficiency and evidence with safety, necessity, and cost controls. While we understand the intentions of this legislation, we believe the most appropriate vehicle for these changes is SB 791 - Health Insurance - Utilization Review – Revisions sponsored by Senator Klausmeier. SB 791 is the result of a collaborative and comprehensive approach that began at the end of the 2023 legislative session and has continued throughout the interim.

For these reasons, the League urges the committee to give Senate Bill 93 an unfavorable report.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Members, Senate Finance Committee