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Representing Rhode Island Radiological Society March 1, 2021

Honorable Stephen M. Casey

Chair, House Committee on Health and Human Services

State House

82 Smith Street

Providence, R.I. 02903

Re: Testimony on House Bill 5648-AN ACT RELATING TO BREAST CANCER PATIENT NOTIFICATION RI RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY SUPPORTS PASSAGE

Dear Chairman Casey:

On behalf of the R.I. Radiological Society, I submit this letter in support of passing House Bill 5648. This bill deals the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Act and the Rhode Island Dense Breast Notification and Education Act. The current law and practice requires the doctor to send the X-Ray image by mail to the patient. This bill would authorize the doctor to use the latest technology to provide the results to the patient quickly. The proposed language amendments are intended to speed the notification to the patient of the results of their breast examination. This bill allows the doctor to use either postal mail, email, or electronically post the results on the patient portal so that the patient has the earliest possible notice of the results of their mammogram.

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Representing Rhode Island Radiological Society The bill is intended to address two issues: first, to provide adequate and early notice to the patient of the results of their examination; and second, to help reduce the costs of mailing and the time delays incurred by using standard mailing practices. If you have any questions concerning this bill, please feel free to reach out to me at 401-524-2734 or by email quinlaw@verizon.net.

- Sincerely yours,
- Patrick J. Quinlan, Esq.