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House Committee on Corporations H6155 Support

Dear Chairman Solomon and Members of the House Committee on Corporations:

I am writing on behalf of myself and my husband as patients and asking that you support H6155. We have been a long standing patients at our dentist for over 13 years. We purchase our dental plan through the HSRI portal.

We always assumed that we had a great dental plan through Delta Dental of RI since you hear and see their name everywhere. That was until this winter when our dentist explained that he was dropping out of network with Delta.

We asked him what we should do and he advised us that unless we changed our dental plan to another company we would no longer be able to use our insurance at his practice. He explained that our specific plan requires us to see a dentist who is in network with Delta Dental and unless we see one in network, Delta Dental eliminates our insurance.

We were very upset because we have trusted our dentist and his staff for such a long time. The office is convenient for us to get to and they are always very pleasant.

We don't understand why we cannot use our dental plan at his office simply because our dentist is no longer in network. We have friends who also see our dentist who have other plans that my dentist also is not in network with and they can use their benefits at his office. This is why we don't think it is fair that we have what is supposed to be the best dental insurance in RI and we don't have the choice to use it where we want to.

Please pass this law so we can see our dentist again and not have to worry about where we need to go.

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