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To the honorable Chairman Solomon and members of the House corporations committee.

I submit the following testimony and support of house bill H 8381 to be heard at the house corporations committee hearing on April 14th, 2026

As members of the state's largest employer namely the state of Rhode Island and patients of the state's monopoly dental insurer's largest body of clients, you have created an entity which continuously forces un-negotiated burdensome and costly measures on dentists which has made Rhode Island the least attractive state to practice in.

While you have allowed this monopoly dental insurer to create nine for-profit corporations under the office species of being a non-profit entity that has DIVERTED millions in treatment and DEFENDED tactics that DELAYS treatment, you could please correct their most recent burdensome and costly practice forcing charges on virtual credit card fee reimbursements instead of the time on a practice is on paying by check or making direct electronic payments.

Please support and pass H8381 to correct this latest abusive cost which as they have proven only gets diverted to their for-profit priorities putting their profits before you and your constituents which were my former patients in Rhode Island as I am a retired dentist and will have no benefit from this whatsoever.

Thank you and thank you for all you do for our state.

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