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To: House Health and Human Services Committee
Subject: Re: Bill H5351 (Medi spa safety bill)

Hello.

My name is Dr. Jennifer Jarbeau. I am a RI physician and practice at Kent Hospital in Warwick, RI. I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill #H5351, the Medi Spa Safety Bill.

This bill goes directly against recent health department guidance to regulate non-physicians from doing a variety of procedures, many of which are considered the practice of surgery. I feel that opening this industry to non-physicians is dangerous and irresponsible. There is a long track record of complications that result from these procedures in the wrong hands. I personally would not undergo such a procedure by a proceduralist who has not undergone extensive training, and I feel that we need to protect those who may be considering this and who may not be as well-informed.

Please vote against Bill #H5351 as these invasive and risky procedures need physician oversight.

Thanks for your consideration,

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