



June 2, 2026

Dear Chair Donovan and Members, House Health and Human Services Committee,

RE: Support for H8595

The Senior Agenda Coalition of RI (SACRI)'s mission is to advocate to improve the quality of lives of our older population and adults with disabilities. Older persons consistently tell us that healthcare is one of their most important concerns. And advocating to increase access to affordable healthcare is an important part of our agenda.

In 2025 the legislature made progress to extend guaranteed issue rights to persons enrolled in Medicare Supplement or Medicare Advantage plans who had no gap in coverage over 90 days during open enrollment period.

H8595 introduced by Representatives McGaw, Fogarty, Donovan, Potter, Cotter, Speakman, Kislak, Carson, DeSimone and Kazarian. addresses a remaining gap in addressing a person's ability to select another Medicare Plan by including "or another form of credible coverage" in addition to Medicare supplement and Medicare Advantage policies.

We thank Rep. McGaw and the bills co-sponsors for addressing this gap to allow persons on Medicare more choices when choosing plans and are pleased to support H8595. Thank you for your consideration of our support.

Sincerely,

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