



March 3, 2026

Dear Chair Murray and Members Senate Health and Human Services Committee

RE: Support for S2570

SACRI is pleased to support S2570, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BY HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS NOTIFICATION ACT, sponsored by Senators Lauria, McKenney, Ciccone, Murray, Valverde, Bell, Vargas, Lawson and de la Cruz.

SACRI'S mission is to mobilize people to implement an agenda that improves the quality of life of older Rhode Islanders and adults with disabilities. We accomplish this through *community organizing, public education, advocacy, and legislative action*. In thinking about improving *quality of life*, issues related to healthcare rank as one of SACRI's top priorities.

The rapid integration of AI into healthcare warrants its oversight by the state to ensure consumers are informed of its use. S2570 requires patients be notified that AI is being used to memorialize patient visits. Providing such notification will increase transparency and accountability in the use of artificial intelligence by health insurers and healthcare facilities. It also has the potential for preventing errors which can cause harm to patients.

While the use of AI in healthcare has great potential to improve patient care and reduce provider administrative burden, it must be done in a way that protects patient privacy, avoids adverse outcomes for patients and provides clear information to patients about how it is being used. I respectfully ask you to consider SACRI's support for S2570.

Thank you for your consideration of our support.

Sincerely,

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