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I am a practicing emergency medicine physician. To be very clear, the corporate practice of medicine is destroying the US healthcare system, and putting patients at extreme risk. The corporate practice of medicine allows those who have absolutely no medical training, and answer primarily to investors and stockholders, to dictate how physicians practice medicine. Instead of making decisions based on what is actually in the best interest of the patient, physicians are often forced to either make decisions that best protect the financial interests of the corporations, or risk losing their jobs. Physicians are being replaced with cheaper midlevel providers who provide substandard, but “good enough” care. Do you want you or your family members taken care of by a physician who has dedicated an enormous portion of their lives to learn how to best take care of your health, or by a private equity investor who wants to extract as much money from you as possible, spend as little money as possible, and then if all goes well, sell it to another investor for a massive pay day in a few years? Please pay attention to who is being flown in on private jets to oppose this bill, and who’s paying for those jets. You have the opportunity today to correct what’s been happening to the healthcare system for the last several years, and to put healthcare back into the hands of those whose primary interest is actually improving your health, rather than their own pocketbooks.