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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am writing in strong support of the measure that imposes requirements and restrictions on insurer and coordinated care organization (CCO) audits of claims for reimbursement submitted by behavioral health treatment providers.

Behavioral health providers play a crucial role in supporting the well-being of individuals and communities, often working with vulnerable populations. However, many providers are facing an increasing administrative burden due to overly complex and sometimes excessive audit processes. These audits, while necessary to ensure appropriate use of resources, can place significant strain on providers, leading to delays in reimbursement, interruptions in service delivery, and, in some cases, the risk of financial instability.

This measure is essential because it introduces fair and reasonable standards for audits, ensuring that they are conducted in a transparent, consistent, and timely manner. By imposing clear restrictions on audits and reimbursement practices, we can reduce unnecessary disruptions to care and allow behavioral health providers to focus on their critical work of helping individuals and families.

I urge the committee to support this measure to ensure that behavioral health providers are not burdened by excessive audit practices and can continue providing the essential services that our communities rely on.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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