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The Honorable Scott Fitzgerald Senate Majority Leader Room 211 South State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707 The Honorable Robin Vos Speaker of the Assembly Room 217 West State Capitol P.O. Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708

Re: Social and Financial Impact Report—2017 Assembly Bill 1018 relating to coverage of tests and ancillary procedures for services for which health insurance coverage is mandated

Dear Majority Leader Fitzgerald and Speaker Vos:

Pursuant to s. 601.423, Wis. Stat., I am submitting this letter regarding a social and financial impact report on 2017 Assembly Bill 1018, relating to coverage of tests and ancillary procedures for services for which health insurance coverage is mandated.

As currently written, the proposed bill does not mandate new or expanded coverage for health insurance consumers or insurers. Medical testing and ancillary procedures are currently covered under existing health plans. Further, s. 632.895 (16w) (b) of the proposed bill allows insurance plan limitations, exclusions, or cost-sharing provisions. For this reason, my office is not intending to prepare a social and financial impact report as allowed under s. 13.0966 (2) (b), Wis. Stat.

If you disagree with our interpretation, have questions or concerns, we welcome the opportunity to discuss. You may contact Elizabeth Hizmi at (608) 267-9460 or elizabeth.hizmi@wisconsin.gov.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theodore K. Nickel Commissioner