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Senator Scott Fitzgerald Senate Majority Leader Room 211 South State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707

Representative Robin Vos Speaker of the Assembly Room 211 West State Capitol P.O. Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708

Re: Social and Financial Impact Report—2017 Senate Bill 367 and 2017 Assembly Bill 457 relating to dental provider network rental by insurance plans

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 Senate Bill 367 and 2017 Assembly Bill 457 relating to dental provider network rental by insurance plans.

The proposed legislation creates various changes in the contractual relationship between dental providers and a provider network. As currently written, the proposed legislation will not impact an insurance policy, plan or contract. More specifically, while this bill may impact consumers, it will not impact their contract with an insurance provider. 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

Nickel

Commissioner

cc: The Honorable Scott K. Walker, Governor of Wisconsin