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The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_ (Insert local Assembly Member name)

Member, California State Assembly

State Capitol, Room \_\_\_\_\_

Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: **SB 562 (LARA AND ATKINS) GOVERNMENT RUN SINGLE PAYER - OPPOSE**

Dear Assembly Member:

I am a constituent in your district and **OPPOSE** **SB 562 (LARA** and **ATKINS). SB 562** seeks to establish a $400 billion per year government-run single payer health care bureaucracy that is paid, for in large part, by myself and other taxpayers. I believe SB 562 is unnecessary and will result in both new taxes and California job loss.

The California State Senate estimates a single payer government-run health care system as outlined in SB 562 will cost $400 billion dollars annually and will dismantle a system that currently provides coverage for 94 percent of Californians, leading to rationing and barriers to access. Though the financing mechanism for this measure has not yet been formally set out, past attempts at government run health care have proposed major increases in payroll and income taxes increases on businesses and individuals such as myself.

A vote for universal government-run health care system means this $400 billion program is your one and only priority. A vote for SB 562 means no more funding for affordable housing. A vote for SB 562 means no more funding for environmental programs. A vote for SB 562 means every other state priority, whether it be education, food for the hungry; clean water and water storage or public safety --will come second to the $400 billion annual cost to run SB 562’s government-run single payer program. A vote for SB 562 will also be the largest tax bill ever presented to taxpayers in California history.

I believe that you, as my elected representative, should instead focus on positive changes to reduce the cost of health care services, reduce the costs to doing business in California, and OPPOSE adding a new $400 Billion government-run universal single payer health care program that will burden the remaining taxpayers in California.

Please vote **“NO”** on **SB 562 (LARA** and **ATKINS)** each time it comes before you for a vote. Please let me know how you voted on this bill.

Sincerely,