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The Honorable Rob Bonta  
Chair, Assembly Health Committee  
State Capitol, Room 6005  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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**SUBJECT: AB 1305 (BONTA) LIMITATIONS ON COST SHARING:  
FAMILY COVERAGE -POSITION CHANGE: NEUTRAL  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE FILE  
HEARING, MAY 28, 2015**

Dear Chairman Bonta:

The California Association of Health Underwriters is pleased to notify you that CAHU is no longer opposed to your **AB 1305**, as amended May 5, 2015. CAHU is now **NEUTRAL AS AMENDED** on **AB 1305** to bring the family cost sharing provisions into conformity with new federal rules that became effective April 27, 2015. CAHU also appreciates the added language to **AB 1305** to provide a much-needed exception for high-deductible health plans and policies approved under federal law.

The California Association of Health Underwriters is the state's largest association of health insurance agents, brokers and other health insurance industry professionals. Our members help millions of individual Californians and businesses evaluate, select, purchase and use their health care coverage plans, resulting in greater health and financial security. CAHU agents and brokers also act as advocates for policyholders and their families when coverage disputes arise. CAHU agents and brokers also perform many functions for small employers with respect to managing their employee benefits program--at no additional cost to the small employer.

Sincerely,

Julianne Broyles

On Behalf of California Association of Health Underwriters

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