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The Honorable Jaime Herrera Beutler U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Herrera Beutler:

Thank you for your attention to the concerns raised by the Association of Washington Businesses regarding H.R. 1101, the "Small Business Health Fairness Act." The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has several state chambers of commerce members that provide state-based quality health care coverage to their member companies. The Chamber shares your interest in making sure that the state-based Association Health Plans that currently exist are able to continue to operate in accordance with existing state and federal law without being disadvantaged by this new federal legislation.

The Chamber appreciates your commitment to small businesses and to ensuring that current affordable coverage options continue to be available alongside new options in a non-discriminatory and fair environment. Thank you for your dedication and efforts, and we look forward to continuing to work with you to advance the priorities and interest of business.

Sincerely.

Randel K. Johnson

cc: Members of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce