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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar Nevada Secretary of State 101 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Senate Bill 419 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 419 ("SB 419"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to public health; requiring the adoption of a framework for the electronic transmittal, maintenance and exchange of certain health information; requiring governmental entities, health care providers, insurers and insurance administrators to maintain, transmit and exchange health information electronically; authorizing the imposition of certain discipline against a health care provider, insurer or insurance administrator that fails to comply with that requirement; authorizing the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to contract with multiple health information exchanges to perform certain functions; clarifying that certain persons are immune from certain criminal and civil liability for transmitting, accessing, utilizing or disclosing electronic health records in accordance with existing law; establishing and prescribing the duties of the Medicaid Outreach Advisory Committee; requiring the provision of certain coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program; requiring the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services to conduct certain studies; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 419, Sec. 39 would expand Medicaid coverage for prenatal care and labor and delivery services. There are at least six other bills from the 82nd Session expanding Medicaid services. None of these bills included appropriations to cover the administrative costs for the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) to implement their provisions. Given the number of approved projects currently assigned to DHCFP along with staff turnover and vacancies within the Division, there are insufficient resources to implement this new service this biennium.

Since this bill would add to an already overworked staff, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,

JOE LOMBARDO
Governor of Nevada

Enclosure

CC: The Honorable Stavros Anthony, President of the Senate (without enclosure)
The Honorable Nicole Cannizzaro, Senate Majority Leader (without enclosure)
The Honorable Steve Yeager, Speaker of the Assembly (without enclosure)
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