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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
Nevada Secretary of State
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Senate Bill 128 of the 83rd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

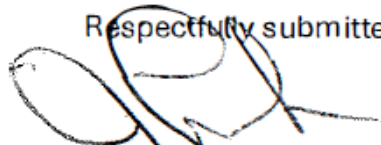
I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 128 ("SB 128"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to health care; prescribing requirements governing the denial of requests for prior authorization; making certain legislative findings and declarations; encouraging licensed physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses and osteopathic physicians to discuss with patients in certain circumstances information relating to stem cell treatment, storage and donation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

While it is important for patients to understand the scope of their medical coverage, SB 128 goes too far in how it addresses this issue. The bill unnecessarily micromanages how private insurers and public employee insurance programs use AI, risking the stifling of innovation even when such technology can improve efficiency and lower costs. Given that AI is still a relatively new technology, it makes more sense to fully understand its potential benefits before making any determination to impose restrictive measures that could prematurely hinder its development.

Moreover, it is inappropriate for the government to pressure medical professionals to promote therapies—such as certain stem cell treatments—that remain experimental and lack full FDA approval. Medical decisions should be based on sound science and patient-specific, clinical judgment, not broad legislative mandates.

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)
Brendan Bucy, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)
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