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To: Chair [Representative Nosse](#), Vice Chairs [Javadi](#) and [Nelson](#)

And members of [House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care](#)

Re: [SB 951](#) – Prohibits a management service organization from controlling patient care decisions – **Support**

SB 951 prevents a management service organization from overreaching and making patient care decisions.

The League of Women Voters believes that every U.S resident should have access to affordable quality healthcare. In line with this the LWV has supported significant healthcare policies such as the Affordable Care Act. In 2024 the [U.S. League joined a coalition requesting information](#) from the Department of Justice, the Federal Trade Commission, and the Department of Health and Human services around the impact of private equity - specifically around patient care, worker safety and health care costs.

These are the issues related to the bill as we see them now. SB 951 would eliminate non-compete clauses and non-disclosure clauses from medical providers contracts. This will allow physicians, nurses and other health care workers to speak out when they see something that is not safe without fear of retribution.

The bill would stop management service organizations from making patient care decisions. It does not prevent private investment or prevent medical groups from partnering with management service organizations

In short SB 951 will help prevent profiteering from private equity in medical groups. It does not cover hospital or long term services acquisition and consolidation which is also of great concern. We believe this legislation is critically important to safe, affordable quality health care.

We urge your support for SB 951.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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