



Statement on HB 2294

Cambia Health Solutions supports HB2294, which provides an improved framework for the Health Authority to participate in health IT collaboratives with the private sector, as well as to serve, when appropriate, as a convener to advance market-wide initiatives.

The Health Authority has been a good partner with the private sector in current projects, such as the Emergency Department Information Exchange, but there have been limitations to its participation in EDIE and other projects due to current statutes.

As we read the bill and based on discussions with the Health Authority, this bill neither authorizes nor intends for the Health Authority to create new IT projects. We see it as a good step forward for the state on a set of issues that continues to evolve with the rapid advancement of data technology.

Respectfully,

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