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As a mental health professional I have seen how many people are not able to get the help they need because of the unequal payment for the health care professional. Many therapist can't afford to take clients who have insurance, or state insurance, that doesn't pay the same as other insurance companies. It seems fair that the mental health parity law would require insurance companies to reimburse mental health professionals in an equivalent manner that they reimburse physicians. Also some insurance companies are "bullying" mental health professionals to not use CPT code 90837 through utilization reviews and "games" they play when reimbursing. I hope you support this bill as I would be able to see more unserved clients if the parity was in place.

Thank you,
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