I OPPOSE [HB 3157].

[HB 3157]: "Establishes Health Insurance Mandate Review Advisory Committee to review each proposed legislative measure, legislative concept or amendment that requires health insurer or health care service contractor to reimburse cost of specified procedure or provider, if measure, concept or amendment is posted to legislative committee's agenda, and to produce report on equity and financial effects of each required coverage that is proposed and efficacy of treatment or service proposed.

...Specifies membership and duties of advisory committee.

... Modifies criteria for review of measures that require coverage of specific procedure or provider."

Let's take a look at, **[HB 3157]**'s "Health Insurance Mandate Review Advisory Committee to review each proposed legislative measure, legislative concept or amendment that requires health insurer or health care service contractor to reimburse cost of specified procedure or provider..."

The aforementioned is a herculean task to be made from a committee of varied backgrounds but not necessarily experience in Health Insurance issues.

"... or health care service contractor to reimburse cost of specified procedure or provider..."

This is just great. Turn your decision over to a "contractor." How much are the "contracts" going to cost?" We do not know. Contract costs were not stated. Why, am I not surprised.

"... if measure, concept or amendment is posted to legislative committee's agenda, and to produce report on equity and financial effects of each required coverage that is proposed and efficacy of treatment or service proposed." Here is the crux of [HB 3157].

"...equity and financial effects... Nowhere are Equality and or equal treatment under the law mentioned. Why?

Is "Equity and financial effects" the main issue of [HB 3157]?

Equity is not Equality.

[HB 3157] is bizarre if not downright nebulous.

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