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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: SB1076

I am very opposed to this bill. Hospital emergency units are very understaffed, and this bill will put more pressure on them and the hospital. Who will be funding all the additional work required by hospitals to meet the many requirements and documentation required by this bill? Placing the burden of providing food, clothing, transportation to shelters and constantly updating a current list of services and providers plus documenting where the patient is going after discharge is not the role of a hospital. A hospital is not a social service agency. The intended use of a hospital is to provide medical care, not become an overnight shelter.

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