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I do not support the idea of limiting health care systems to only have the option to call a single non-profit to work with if they want to offset their interpreter costs by having the language service provider bill insurance. If health care systems are frustrated with the new system, they will not use it and will pay for interpreter themselves, which defeats the purpose. This is what happens in Washington state. Some health systems are frustrated with the broker system so they don't use it consistently or at all. That means the state doesn't have an accurate picture of the actual need for language access. Choice is important for quality control as well. Please do not pass this bill. Thank you.