

Submitter: Deborah Fletcher  
On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care  
Measure: HB4130

Dear Senators,

I am an emergency medicine physician in Louisiana. A corporate management group took over our long standing contract for our hospital emergency departments and replaced part time physicians with NP/PAs to save money. I then worked at a rural emergency department and it was taken over by a different corporate management company - and they had a non-compete buyout of \$30k per physician. This is crazy that patients EVERYWHERE are losing quality physician care due to corporate greed. It is not safe. I started a nonprofit Louisiana Physicians for Patients with other physicians in our state to advocate for patients and safe health care legislation. Please pass this bill to protect your state - you will all be patients one day and need to make sure your physician can speak out for you and not be worried about being replaced on a whim by a corporate or institution.