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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4075

"Dear State Treasurer Steiner,

Please support the Bay Area Hospital's plan for restabilization this session, including the plan for refinancing existing debt. After months of reforms and cost-cutting, the Hospital is in much better shape but still struggling with high interest payments and aging equipment.

Doing nothing means Bay Area will likely downgrade to a "Type B" facility, meaning less services for local residents and an increase of \$27.2 million per year to the State as a result of reimbursement changes and increased Medicaid payments.

I'm hoping you will stand up in favor of the Bay Area Hospital.

With regards,