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The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez
Chair of Assembly Appropriations Committee
State Capitol, Room 2114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **SB 343 (Pan): Healthcare Data Disclosure—SUPPORT with comments**

Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez,

As Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, I write to express our support in principle of Senate Bill 343 (Pan). However, we would like to encourage the bill's author, Dr. Pan, to continue working with Kaiser Permanente as the bill moves through the legislative process.

SB 343 seeks to standardize the reporting requirements for healthcare costs and data which, in principle, our Board supports. However, Kaiser is a strong community partner, and we are conditioning our support on the continued discussions with stakeholders including impacted reporters, to explore the most effective methods of meeting the desired goals.

SB 343 could provide Contra Costa County and other employers with more uniform healthcare cost data during purchasing negotiations for employee health insurance plans and provide consistent data with which to compare options and outcomes.

Thank you for consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

JOHN GIOIA
Chair, Board of Supervisors

cc: Members and Staff of the Assembly Appropriations Committee
Members, Board of Supervisors
David Twa, County Administrator