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Honorable Irene Aguilar  
200 East Colfax Avenue  
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Honorable Ellen Roberts  
200 East Colfax Avenue  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Senator Aguilar and Senator Roberts:

CLUB 20 supports SB14-187 creating the Colorado Commission on Affordable Health Care in an effort to analyze health care costs in Colorado.

The CLUB 20 Health Care Committee recognizes that health care costs have yet to be adequately analyzed and addressed in the efforts to address concerns related to the health care delivery system. An effort directed at studying and analyzing health care costs and the provision of thoughtful and practical recommendations regarding cost controls, access to and quality of care are long overdue.

Without taking this important step, health care costs will spiral out of control to the peril of all Colorado citizens. We applaud your efforts to establish a commission that will attempt to identify legislative and regulatory modifications that may make health care affordable.

CLUB 20 urges that rural representation, specifically Western Colorado representation, be included in the composition of the Commission as rural areas oftentimes struggle the most with affordability, access to and quality of health care. We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments regarding this bill. Please contact us if we can be of further support.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Petersen  
Executive Director

Copies to: Western Colorado Senators