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The Honorable Ed Hernandez, Chair  
Senate Health Committee  
State Capitol, Room 2191  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Hernandez:

SENATE BILL 1423 (AS AMENDED APRIL 9, 2018) – SUPPORT

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is pleased to support Senate Bill (SB) 1423, which is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Health Committee on April 25, 2018. SB 1423 would make technical changes to SB 223 (Atkins, Ch. 771, Statutes of 2017) to better align the portion of that bill dealing with interpreter requirements with the existing federal requirements that SB 223 largely codified.

SB 1423 helps clarify implementation of SB 223 for Medi-Cal managed care plans and county mental health plans, while also maintaining the intent of SB 223 to codify many of the protections of the Affordable Care Act into state law.

For these reasons, DHCS supports SB 1423.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 440-7500.

Sincerely,

o/s/by: Melissa Rolland for

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Deputy Director

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cc: Co-Chair and Members, Senate Health Committee  
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