

Legislative Testimony
Insurance and Real Estate Committee
HB 6589 An Act Concerning Third-Party Access to Participating Dental Provider
Contracts
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Dear Senator Lesser, Representative Wood, and Members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee,

My name is Dr. John J Mooney. I have been practicing dentistry in Putnam, Connecticut for 31 years. I am writing in support of proposed HB 6589 – An Act Concerning Third-Party Access to Participating Dental Provider Contracts. This bill would specify the circumstances in which a health carrier may enter into a contract with a third party for the purpose of providing the third party with access to a participating dental provider contract.

Right now Insurance companies are allowed to add providers to their networks without their prior consent or knowledge. I believe that this practice is fundamentally un American and cannot find another industry that is allowed to sell contracted prices to other groups without the buyers(in this case the participating provider)knowledge or consent. This creates confusion and distrust between patients and providers especially when the issues of billing arise.

I urge you to support HB 6589.

Respectfully Submitted,

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