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Sample Email

Keep your email message short (less than one screen).

Email Address

Subject line: RE: [Bill Topic, Number]

Dear [Legislator's last name]:

[Identify yourself as a constituent and a health care provider].

[Express your concern. Indicate why you support or oppose the issue. Stress how the issue affects the people with whom you work.]

[If passed, [bill number] will [explain positive/negative effects the bill will have on you/your community, your profession, your services, etc., and why you believe your legislator should support/oppose it].

[Ask for a response that clearly states the legislator's position on the issue and how they intend to vote].

I thank you for taking the time to consider my opinion on this matter. I hope that my expressed concern will make a difference in your decision.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Address]

[City/State/Zip]

[Telephone - include area code]

If they support your view, you should send a follow-up "thank you." If they do not support your position, you should send an email expressing your disappointment.