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Director Richard Opper Department of Public Health and Human Services 111 North Sanders, Suite 301 Helena, Montana 59601

Dear Director Opper:

Pursuant to 5-5-225, MCA, the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee (Committee) reviewed MAR Notice No. 37-728, which pertains to the amendment of effective dates of Montana Medicaid provider fee schedules. On January 8, 2016, a majority of the members of the Committee notified the Committee's presiding officer that they objected to the notice of proposed rulemaking in order to address the proposed rule at the Committee's next meeting on January 11, 2016. This letter constitutes notice to the Department that the Committee objects to MAR Notice No. 37-728 pursuant to 2-4-305(9), MCA, of the Montana Administrative Procedure Act. A copy of this notification is included in the Committee's records.

The effect of the Committee's objection is that following the receipt of this notice by the Department, the proposed rule may not be adopted until publication of the last issue of the register that is published before expiration of the 6-month period during which the adoption notice must be published unless, prior to that time, the Committee meets and does not make the same objection.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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