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July 26, 2017

Director Sheila Hogan Department of Public Health and Human Services 111 North Sanders, Suite 301 Helena, MT 59601

Dear Director Hogan:

Pursuant to 5-5-225, MCA, the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee (Committee) reviewed the following MAR Notice Numbers:

- 37-788, pertaining to updating the effective dates of non-Medicaid and Medicaid fee schedules to October 1, 2017;
- 37-801, pertaining to behavioral health targeted case management fee schedule;
- 37-802, pertaining to amendments to fee schedules; and
- 37-805, pertaining to revising nursing facility reimbursement rates for state fiscal year 2018.

On July 25, 2017, a majority of the members of the Committee notified the Committee's presiding officer that they objected to the notices of proposed rulemaking in order to address the proposed rules at the Committee's next meeting on September 11, 2017. This letter constitutes notice to the Department that the Committee objects to MAR Notice Numbers 37-788, 37-801, 37-802, and 37-805 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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