

PUBLIC COMMENTS

HB 1907

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE

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Every Texas (formerly CPPP) supports HB 1907 by Representative Walle to create an all payer claims database (APCD).

Legislators should take meaningful actions to slow the growth of health care costs, which impact the financial wellbeing of families, employers, and the state. Members of the Texas House of Representatives are clearly interested in efforts to bring down health care costs, as evidenced by many bills filed this session and work done over the interim by the Select House Committee on Statewide Health Care Costs. To make good health care decisions, legislators need good information, but that is often missing now. An APCD can create the foundation of accurate data needed for policymakers to target legislative solutions to achieve their desired outcomes. It would also allow consumers, researchers, and providers to utilize accurate data in support of making more informed health care choices and health care policies.

At least 21 states already have an APCD, positioning them to better address pricing variability, low-value care, and unsustainable health care cost growth. We urge you to adopt HB 1907, positioning Texas and Texans to achieve health care cost goals.