To whom it may concern,

My name is **(AGENT NAME)** and I am a health insurance agent actively serving and doing business with clients in the state of Washington.

I wanted to reach out to you regarding the WA LTC Trust Act and, more specifically, Section 4 of the house bill which would restrict opt-outs only to those employees who purchased LTCi before 7/28/19.

It is important that I emphasize that should Section 4 stand, Washingtonians would miss out on a valuable opportunity and the state could end up taking on more Medicaid costs as a result.

As you know, Rep. Joe Schmick, the ranking minority member on the WA House Health Care & Wellness Committed, has proposed amending HB 1323 by striking Section 4 in its entirety.

I strongly encourage you to support the Schmick Amendment as it will take a significant amount of the Medicaid load off the state and lead more people to private LTC planning solutions that were designed to be more comprehensive than the state program’s benefits.

Like you, I along with countless other agents around the state have a goal of expanding LTC coverage in WA. My hope is that you will join me in support of Rep. Schmick’s amendment of HB 1323.

Sincerely,

**(AGENT NAME)**

Washington State Health Insurance Agent