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February 5, 2016

The Honorable Frank A. Hoffmann, Chairman
House Committee on Health and Welfare
P. O. Box 94062
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Dear Representative Hoffmann:

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Please contact me at (225) 342-9538 if the department may be of any assistance to you concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Taylor F. Barras
Speaker of the House
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The Honorable Fred H. Mills, Jr., Chairman
Senate Committee on Health and Welfare
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Dear Senator Mills:

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