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Testimony of Rep. Michelle Boyer in support of

LD 2202, An Act to Require Notice to the Attorney General Prior to the Merger of Certain Health Care Entities as Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State
Before the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson and members of the Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Committee, my name is Michelle Boyer, and I represent House District 123, part of Cape Elizabeth. It is an honor to come before you today to support **LD 2202, An Act to Require Notice to the Attorney General Prior to the Merger of Certain Health Care Entities as Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State.**

I want to thank Rep. Mathieson for sponsoring this measure. The language of this bill is based on the recommendations developed in the commission reference in the bill title, which I had the honor of chairing alongside Senator Tipping. The commission met five times over the course of three months, and its recommendations were developed with the information available during that time.

LD 2202 requires a health care entity to provide notice to the Attorney General about a pending merger or acquisition at the same time the health care entity is required to notify the Federal Trade Commission or the United States Department of Justice Department's Antitrust Division, in accordance with federal laws and regulations.

Thank you for your time, and I am happy to answer any questions that you may have.