

September 28, 2023

The Honorable Jason Smith Chairman U.S. House Committee on Ways & Means Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Richard Neal Ranking Member U.S. House Committee on Ways & Means Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith, Ranking Member Neal, and members of the Ways & Means Committee:

The Healthcare Leadership Council (HLC) appreciates the opportunity to voice support for H.R. 5688, the "Bipartisan HSA Improvement Act," and H.R. 5687, the "HSA Modernization Act," in advance of your markup.

HLC is a coalition of chief executives from all disciplines within American healthcare. It is the exclusive forum for the nation's healthcare leaders to jointly develop policies, plans, and programs to achieve their vision of a 21st century healthcare system that makes affordable high-quality care accessible to all Americans. Members of HLC – hospitals, academic health centers, health plans, pharmaceutical companies, medical device manufacturers, laboratories, biotech firms, health product distributors, post-acute care providers, group purchasing organizations, home care providers, and information technology companies – advocate for measures to increase the quality and efficiency of healthcare through a patient-centered approach.

HLC has long advocated for patient choice and the maximum flexibility afforded to patients when accessing care. H.R. 5688 and H.R. 5687 will modernize and improve health savings accounts (HSAs) by expanding who can access HSAs and increasing value to consumers. We appreciate that these bills aim to provide improved access to healthcare.

HLC looks forward to continuing to collaborate with you on this important issue. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Debbie Witchey at (202) 449-3435 or dwitchey@hlc.org.

Sincerely,

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