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The Honorable Lamar Alexander  
U.S. Senator  
455 Dirksen Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

June 19, 2017

RE: American Health Care Act H.R. 1628

Dear Senator Alexander,

The Tennessee Oncology Professional Society (TOPS) is Tennessee's largest oncology care professional organization for oncologists and other oncology professionals. TOPS represents the entire state, and it promotes the highest quality of care for cancer patients in Tennessee. To that end, TOPS urges its Tennessee U.S. Senators to provide transparency on the new health care bill prior to a vote.

TOPS believes healthcare reform must ensure meaningful access to high-quality care for all Americans with cancer. We strongly stress the need for affordable and sufficient healthcare coverage for all Americans regardless of their income or health status. The national, state, and local healthcare reform efforts should each ensure that covered individuals are able to continue to access affordable insurance without interruption.

While this objective may be covered in the developing bill within the Senate, we ask that the constituents of Tennessee, both providers and patients, be provided with a significant opportunity to voice approval or to express concerns about the new proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jill Gilbert", is written in black ink.

Jill Gilbert, MD