PA Chamber® of Business and Industry

TO: The Honorable Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives

FROM: Neal Lesher, Vice President, Government Affairs

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RE: **PA Chamber Memo: Support HB 2702 – Repealing the Sunset for PHC4**

On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry I urge you to support HB 2702, which is scheduled for a vote by the House this week. HB 2702 would eliminate the sunset clause in the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's (PHC4) authorizing statute.

PHC4 was established 40 years ago with the collective support of the business and labor communities. Its mission is to empower Pennsylvanians through transparency, providing access to data, research, analysis, and reporting focused on the cost, utilization, and quality of health care delivery in the Commonwealth. Today, it remains a reliable resource producing transparent, credible public reporting based on data from Pennsylvania health care facilities to support informed health care decision-making.

The uncertainty that comes with having to reauthorize PHC4 periodically is detrimental to PHC4's operations by harming staff retention, disrupting long-term planning, and reducing productivity. After 40 years of providing valuable reporting, we believe it is time to make PHC4 a permanent entity.

For any questions or further discussion, please contact Neal Lesher, Vice President of Government Affairs, at nlesher@pachamber.org or **717-507-9240**.

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