

May 22, 2025

The Honorable Rebecca Bauer-Kahan California State Assembly 1021 O St. Ste. 5210 Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: AB 302 (Bauer-Kahan) — Neutral

Dear Assembly Member Bauer-Kahan:

Hospitals are deeply committed to protecting patient privacy and the confidentiality of personal health information. Every day, patients place their trust in hospitals, often during their most vulnerable moments, and hospitals take their confidentiality responsibilities seriously. Safeguarding patient data is not only a legal obligation — it is a core part of hospitals' mission to provide safe, respectful, and compassionate care.

The California Hospital Association (CHA) is grateful for your collaboration with hospitals to understand concerns with Assembly Bill (AB) 302 and consider amendments to resolve these concerns. The amendments outlined in the May 1 version resolve CHA's concerns.

For these reasons, CHA has removed its opposition to AB 302.

Sincerely,

Mark Farouk

Vice President, State Advocacy