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The Honorable Glenn Koepp
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Re: Senate Bill No. 207 by Senator Mount

Dear Mr. Koepp:

Senate Bill No. 207 by Senator Mount terminates Louisiana's Medicaid reform initiative, Coordinated Care Networks, as well as the Community Care Program on December 31, 2014. Coordinated Care Networks will provide a medical home for 800,000 Louisiana Medicaid recipients, providing better access to primary and preventative care, improved health outcomes, with an anticipated savings of \$24 million in the upcoming fiscal year and \$135.9 million in state fiscal year 2013.

Inserting a termination date for this important reform and preventing Louisiana from improving the performance and outcomes in our current Medicaid system sends the wrong message, that we are incapable of providing better care to our people, and we can do no better than our ranking of 49th in the nation for health outcomes. I am not content with the outcomes of our current Medicaid program and am committed to reforming our Louisiana health care system.

For this reason, I have vetoed Senate Bill No. 207 and hereby return it to the Senate.

Sincerely,


Bobby Jindal
Governor