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**Re:** California AB 489; *Health care professions: deceptive terms or letters: artificial intelligence*

Dear Assemblywoman Bonta,

My name is Ron Lanton and I am Government Affairs Director for the American Association of Clinical Urologists, Inc (AACU).

The AACU would like to publicly support your legislation: AB 489; *Health care professions: deceptive terms or letters: artificial intelligence.*

Founded in 1968 by urologists concerned by the government's increasing role in the practice of medicine, the AACU is a professional organization representing the interests of more than 3,700+ member urologists, and urologic societies engaged as advocacy affiliates across the United States. We are dedicated to developing and advancing health policy education as it affects urologic practice in order to preserve and promote the professional autonomy of our members and support the highest quality of care for patients.

One of the AACU's legislative priorities this year is to advocate for solid public policy on artificial intelligence. Our Executive Committee has approved our stance on AI, which is soon to be made public.

For our members, AACU wants to ensure that AI enhances the abilities of our urology members and does not seek AI to either replace our members, or operate as a urologist.

AB 489 mirrors our vision of utilizing AI in a safe and responsible way. This legislation is exactly the type of guard rail that our patients need in a time where we are becoming more reliant on technology.

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We applaud your efforts and want you to know that the AACU will continue to advocate for similar policies.

We look forward to serving as a resource for you and stand by ready to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

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