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The Honorable Phil Roe, M.D.
336 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Marsha Blackburn
2266 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support for H.R. 1766, the “Medical Practice Freedom Act”

Dear Representatives Roe and Blackburn,

As the Alliance of Specialty Medicine (Alliance), our mission is to advocate for sound federal health care policy that fosters patient access to the highest quality specialty care. As patient and physician advocates, **the Alliance writes in support of H.R. 1766, the “Medical Practice Freedom Act of 2017.”**

This legislation reduces the administrative burden on physicians by prohibiting the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or any state from requiring a health care provider, as a condition of the provider's licensure, to participate in a health plan or comply with requirements for meaningful use of electronic health records.

We appreciate your leadership and look forward to working with you to advance this legislation.

Sincerely,

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American College of Mohs Surgery
American College of Osteopathic Surgeons
American Gastroenterological Association
American Society for Dermatologic Surgery Association
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery
American Society of Echocardiography
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