



Ask Your State Representative to Support Amendments #20 & #70

Please Contact Your State Representative Today to Urge Support on
2 Important Amendments to House 4888:

#20 Establishing a PPE Exchange and #70 Funding Isolation Rooms in Nursing Facilities

Background

The House of Representatives on Tuesday will begin debate on House Bill 4888 "An Act Putting Patients First." **Amendment #20 filed by Chair Ruth Balser would establish a PPE Exchange and Amendment #70 filed by Chair Tom Golden, Jr. would require EOHHS to establish a program to fund isolation rooms in nursing homes.** Enactment of these two amendments would provide critical tools and resources for nursing facilities to protect their residents and staff during this unprecedented pandemic crisis.

- **Amendment #20/PPE Exchange for Eldercare and Healthcare Providers** – this amendment would require the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to establish an online Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Exchange for the purpose of helping providers of health care and long term care services and supports to secure an adequate supply of vital PPE, at competitive prices that comply with all federal and state requirements.
- **Amendment #70/COVID-19 Isolation Rooms** – this amendment would require the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to provide supplemental payments to nursing facilities for the creation of necessary quarantine isolation rooms.

Action Step

Please send an email to your State Representative and urge him/her to support **Amendment #20/PPE Exchange for Eldercare Providers and Amendment #70/COVID-19 Isolation Space.**

Please click the following link to send an email in two minutes: <https://p2a.co/bHkhn6l>

Thank you for your continued advocacy!