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## Memorandum in Support

**S5638 – Senator Jackson**

**A7120 – MoA Weprin**

**An act to amend the financial services law, in relation to preserving the ability of health care providers to access the independent dispute resolution process**

**&**

**S5639-A – Senator Jackson**

**A7055 – MoA McDonald**

**An act to amend the civil service law, in relation to clarifying that the New York state health insurance program remains subject to certain provisions of the financial services law**

# ***SUPPORT!***

**These proposed measures, both of which would take effect immediately upon enactment, would in pertinent part serve to prevent unilateral diminishment of the health insurance benefits of public sector retirees.**

**One of NYSPEC's 2023 legislative agenda priorities is opposition to the diminishment of retiree health benefits in any form. These two proposed measures would prevent initiatives intended to encroach upon hard-fought, hard-earned health benefits that should be sacrosanct.**

**NYSPEC is an umbrella organization comprising more than 80 diverse unions and groups representing a wide spectrum of more than one million active and retired public employees. We wholeheartedly support this proposed legislation, and urge its swift enactment.**

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