July 11, 2013

The Honorable Denise Merrill  
Secretary of State  
30 Trinity Street  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Madam Secretary:

I hereby return, without my signature, substitute Senate Bill 992, An Act Concerning Members of a Medical Foundation. This bill would allow certain for-profit entities to become members of a medical foundation. As this bill carves out an exception to existing law for the benefit of specific for-profit entities, further consideration is warranted to determine whether such exceptions are appropriate and, if so, whether existing law should be amended on a broader basis. Further consideration is also warranted to determine whether current law provides adequate safeguards to guard against any perceived or actual threat to the independence of medical decisions made by providers employed by for-profit entities.

For these reasons, I disapprove of substitute Senate Bill 992, An Act Concerning Members of a Medical Foundation. Pursuant to Section 15 of Article Fourth of the Constitution of the State of Connecticut, I am returning substitute Senate Bill 992 without my signature.

Sincerely,

Dannel P. Malloy  
Governor