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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Sunnie Harmon" <sunnie@lobbysc.com>

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Hey Katherine. Thank you for your phone call today.

Attached is a letter that lays out the danger of buying hearing aids on-line w/out a hearing aid evaluation from a professional, which include: Failure to detect the underlying medical cause of the hearing loss; Additional hearing loss as a result of improper fitting/programming; And, ear trauma sustained as a result of improper fitting and/or insertion of a ill-molded hearing aid. The letter is authored by The Academy of Doctors of Audiology, The American Academy of Audiology, The American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery, The American Speech-Language Hearing Association, and The International Hearing Society. Financial losses is also listed as a danger.

I also attached a one-pager on S.1056.

Thirdly, here is a link of all other states that restrict Internet/Mail Order Sales of hearing aids

without proper fitting, which include:

- * Texas
- * Florida
- * Maryland
- * Missouri
- * California
- * Connecticut
- * Nevada
- * Oregon
- * Washington
- * Ohio

Here is the link: http://www.audiology.org/advocacy/Documents/Chap3_StateRegulations4Direct2ConsumerDelivery.pdf

Finally, this link is a one-pager provided by the FDA that warns about buying hearing aids on-line: <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ResourcesforYou/Consumers/BuyingMedicalDevicesandDiagnosticTestsOnline/default.htm>

Let me know if you need additional information or have any questions!

Thanks!

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