June 4, 2018

Honorable Jim Wood
Chair, Health Committee
California State Assembly
Capitol Building, Room 6005
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1113 (MONNING) as amended April 9, 2018 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Wood:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, supports SB 1113. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Health Committee on June 12, 2018.

SB 1113 provides the important authorization for the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to engage workplace mental health experts, consumers, and public and private employers to create a voluntary standard for mental health in the workplace. This effort to encourage the private sector to foster mental health and psychological safety by crafting a standard will assist in approving the mental health of their workers.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.
Very truly yours,

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