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I apologize for the repeated delays. Please tell the committee that I am in full support of the AG's effort to create a state False Claims Act. I have only three comments.

1. When in doubt about any provisions, seek consistency with the federal FCA.
2. If possible, allow for retroactivity.
3. Make every effort to protect Relators from counter claims by defendants who sue those who have taken "confidential" information during their protected activity. Obviously, the confidential information is necessary to prove the allegations of fraud in a state or federal FCA qui tam action. Without such protection, potential Relators will be much less likely to act due to fear of the counter claims.

Respectfully,

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