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One of the bill's opponents, the Council of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Associations (CAOMA), which changed its position only days before the final Assembly vote,^{1,2} applauded the governor's decision. "CAOMA is delighted that the Governor had the wisdom and foresight to veto, with no fanfare, this measure," said CAOMA representative Sandra Carey. "The governor and his staff clearly saw through the legislation to the concerns that had been made clear time and time again and which the author and the sponsor refused to address. [W]hile CAOMA had lifted its opposition to the bill in the final hours after considerable negotiation with leadership in the legislature, that lifting was done with the understanding that the author would submit certain promises and assurances in a Letter to the Journal. This was not, unfortunately, followed through on and as a consequence, CAOMA was

forced to renew its opposition position."

"We have lost a close battle but not the war," concluded Miller. "We need to regroup and refresh our strategies. In the words of our Governorator ... 'We will be back.'"

References

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