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Dear Dr. Renz:

I am sorry I did not have the opportunity to meet with you during your recent visit to Washington. Megan Clarke, of my staff, tells me that you had a productive meeting regarding issues of importance to radiologists.

As you know, I strongly favor both appropriate medical liability reform and a more equitable formula for Medicare physician reimbursement. I fully expect to continue working vigorously to achieve solutions to these twin problems during the 109th Congress. In addition, I appreciate your bringing to my attention to the ongoing debate regarding the appropriate approach to Medicare reimbursement for hospital- and office-based imaging services. Though I am not a member of the Committee on Finance, which oversees the Medicare program, I will keep your suggestions in mind when relevant legislation comes before the Senate for consideration.

I would like to thank you for your important clinical work on behalf of Alabama's patients. If I can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of my staff.

Very truly yours,



Jeff Sessions

United States Senator

Sorry to miss you!