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**SB940 Pharmacies - Prescription Drugs - Accessible Labels for Blind, Visually Impaired, and Print Disabled Individuals**  
**Senate Finance Committee**  
**March 21, 2023**

**Position:** Favorable with Amendments

**Background:** SB940 would establish regulations requiring pharmacies to provide accessible medication labels to patients who are visually impaired.

**Comments:** The Maryland Association of Chain Drug Stores (MACDS) is supportive of amendments to conform SB940 with HB456 as passed by the House of Delegates. The bill would require pharmacies to provide accessible labels to patients who are visually impaired or blind, and amendments adopted by the House Health and Government Operations (HGO) Committee would require the Maryland Board of Pharmacy to develop regulations to carry out the law's requirements. We appreciated the opportunity to share our thoughts on the bill as introduced in the House and to collaborate with the sponsor and other stakeholders to produce the amendments adopted by the HGO Committee.

MACDS would urge the Finance Committee to conform SB940 to HB456 as passed, should you choose to take action on the bill. Thank you for your consideration.