

HB 1307 Amendments

From the Maryland Chain Drug Store Association

- **Strike 15-1628(b)(1) and (2).** Contracts with pharmacies are proprietary, confidential, and trade secrets. Filing the contract should only be considered if the pharmacy files a complaint with the Commissioner. Otherwise, PBMs are less likely to offer discounted rates to pharmacies if they know that information could be made more widely known. Ultimately, this would lead to higher costs to patients because they would not benefit from lower prices that pharmacies could otherwise negotiate.
- **Strike 15-628(C)** – to conform with the edit above
- **Under 15-1628.2(d)** – to conform with the rationale above, **add language that the complainant pharmacy may file with the Commissioner the relevant contract for review.**