



**MARYLAND ASSOCIATION  
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**SB752/HB1486**

**Public Health – Non–Controlled Substance Prescription Record System  
Program**

**Senate Finance and House Health and Government Operations  
Committees**

**March 6, 2020**

**Position: Support**

**Background:** Establishing the NCS Prescription Record System Program under the Maryland Health Care Commission.

**Comments:** The Maryland Chain Drug Store Association supports this legislation. We participated on a previous, multi-year task force on this issue and want to ensure this reporting can be achieved without disrupting patient care and workflow at pharmacy. It is also critical we use electronic standards to operationalize this appropriately in pharmacy. Because our pharmacists will ultimately be the ones responsible to report, we would ask the committees to add additional pharmacists to the advisory committee.

Thank you for your consideration and we urge a favorable report on SB752/HB1486.