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Testimony in FAVOR of HB 607 State Health and Welfare Benefits Program – Requirements for Selection of Pharmacy Benefits Manager

House Health and Government Operations and Appropriations Committees February 10, 2021 1:30 PM Presented to: Shane E. Pendergrass and Maggie McIntosh, Chairmen By: Terry Cavanagh, SEIU

We urge a FAVORABLE Report on HB 607.

We applaud the sponsor of this and similar bills (HB601, HB602 and HB603), Minority Leader Kipke, who has recognized there should be no partisan divide when it comes to protecting the people's money.

We believe there can be significant savings in our health care funds, whether they be for current and retired state workers, or any other large group on Marylanders, if we put Pharmacy Benefit Managers under greater scrutiny and have true competition for their services.

We ask for a FAVORABLE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL 607. Thank you.