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Committee: Finance

Testimony on: SB0202 – Prescription Drug Affordability Board – Upper Payment Limits

Position: Favorable

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Bill Contact: Senator Brian Feldman

DoTheMostGood (DTMG) is a progressive grass-roots organization with members in all districts in Montgomery County as well as several neighboring counties. DTMG supports legislation and activities that keep all Maryland residents healthy and safe in a clean environment and which promote equity across all our diverse communities. SB0202 addresses these goals by reinstating the Prescription Drug Affordability Board which will help all Marylanders afford their medications.

The Board was established to set upper payment limits on prescription drugs, but the Board sunset on January 31, 2023. SB0202 is an Emergency Bill to reinstate the Board and extend it to February 1, 2026. SB0202 will also establish the process for setting the upper limit pricing of prescription drug products. This includes the process when there is a shortage of drugs.

Maintaining the Prescription Drug Affordability Board is essential for all Marylanders. Therefore, DTMG strongly supports SB0202 and urges a **FAVORABLE** report on this bill.

Respectfully submitted.

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