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**THE SENATE OF MARYLAND**  
**ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401**

Senate Bill 349 – State Prescription Drug Benefits – Retirees

February 26, 2024

Dear Chairman Guzzone, Vice Chairman Rosapepe, and Members of the Committee,

The purpose of the bill is very simple intending to correct a wrong from the past. State workers who began their work prior to July 1, 2011, had been promised prescription drug benefits as well as other health and retirement benefits. This was, however, stripped from them and many have found themselves without any coverage or health benefits from the state since retirement. This bill will simply reinstate those benefits. I have received dozens of phone calls, emails, and letters from constituents and retirees across Maryland asking to get this bill passed or asking how they could contribute to getting the bill passed. I thank you all for your time and ask for a favorable vote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McKay".

Senator Mike McKay

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