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Senate Bill 0219 In Support Of

Finance – Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program – Sunset Extension Senate Finance Committee Hearing: January 31, 2024 - 1:00 PM

Dear Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair, and Honorable Senator Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair, and other distinguished Finance Committee members,

The Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA) supports SB 0219 Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program – Sunset Extension

Extending the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program to 2030 is critical to the support of Maryland's increasing senior population. Continuing the subsidy for those on Medicare who qualify for it helps seniors in need maintain their health and quality of life which are two of our priorities for all senior Marylanders.

Those currently reaping the benefits of this program will continue to do so as will those who will meet the qualifications in the upcoming years prior to the end of the extension period.

On behalf of the 12,000 members of the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association, we urge support for SB 0219.

Sincerely,

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