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The Honorable C.T. Wilson Chairman, Economic Matters Committee Maryland House of Delegates 231 Taylor Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: **Strong Opposition** to Senate Bill 306 - Workers' Compensation - Prescription Drug & Pharmaceutical Services - Reimbursements

Dear Chairman Wilson,

I am a retired Anne Arundel County Police Corporal of thirty years. I have 36 years of service as a police officer in Maryland. I have worked many assignments during my career and have been injured many times in the line of duty in the very dangerous job that police in our nation do every day.

Being a police officer takes a toll on the body of the officers who are working, and of the few of us who make it to full retirement, we are left with the enduring scars both physically and emotionally of our experiences on the job.

I want to write to you expressing my DISAPPROVAL of the proposed SENATE BILL 306.

Companies like Rescue Meds are truly oriented to serving and partnering with our first responders. They know me and I know them. When they can't get paid by the County or Municipalities for workman's compensation cases, they go to bat for me to get me my medications and get them to me in a timely manner. I have been in need of refills and new medications and they take care of it and then deliver them to my home.

Dealing with CVS and other larger retailers is a nightmare and highly impersonal. They have NO interest in taking care of first responders who are injured, we are just another number to them. Sad, but true.

This is yet another Maryland Bill which intrudes on a company and system that are already working well. To what end and benefit?

I have been using Rescue Meds for years and their service is second to none. They know and treat first responders with dignity and respect, and work on our behalf.

Please consider voting against this bill. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in reference to this bill.

May you all be blessed in your service to our great State.

Sincerely,

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