February 20, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Beidle Chair, Senate Finance Committee 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: SB 306 - Worker's Compensation - Prescription Drug and Pharmaceutical Services - Reimbursements - OPPOSE

Dear Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Hayes and members of the Senate Finance Committee:

My name is Daryl Buhrman. I am 79 years old. I am a retired Baltimore City Police Officer. I joined in 1972 and retired in 1991 on a medical disability. I was injured in the line of duty. Since then, my physical condition is deteriorating day by day. As a result of my injuries, I am disabled, and I have been on several different types of medications since 1989. With RescueMeds, they are affordable, and delivered to my door. I do not have to find a way to a pharmacy and wait in lines. They are always ready and on time with no problems. I do not have to pay anything. If I go to CVS I have to pay for it and then get reimbursed.

The reimbursement rates being proposed are unreasonable with the use of an acquisition cost index, and will prevent my and others access to critical medicine. That's why it's so important for me to have another option to get my prescriptions and without companies like RescueMeds, things could have gotten much worse for me.

Through no fault of my own I got hurt, and I should not have to go through the expense of paying for my medicines and wait to be reimbursed seeing as I am disabled. RescueMeds is a God-send to me. Next to my wife, they are the best thing that happened to me.

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