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 Ken Wisniewski. I am a 22 year retired Army combat, 82nd Airborne, Ranger and nearly 19 year retired Prince George's County Police Officer. During my time as a police officer, I sustained injuries that I continue to receive medical care for under Worker's Compensation that include distribution of pharmaceuticals.

The legislation regarding reimbursement rates that is being proposed are unreasonable with the use of an acquisition cost index. This will prevent access to critical healthcare for myself and other injured workers. I have personally experienced delays with my own prescriptions that were unavailable at "traditional", store front pharmacies. Without RescuMeds, additional medical care might have been required because I couldn't receive my medication from the traditional pharmacies timely. Even though RescuMeds may have an additional cost for their services, it provides patient's, like me, peace of mind that I can get what I need in a timely fashion. Regulating charges for prescription drugs, under this legislation, would do a disservice to those of us who rely on RescuMeds services. Please reconsider this legislation for this reason.

Thank you for your time.

Konnoth Wisniewski

Kenneth Wisniewski