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RE: Comments on HB 1310

To the Health and Government Operations Committee Members:

We are writing to comment on HB 1310 regarding the Prescription Drug Repository Program. Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments. Please let us know if we can further clarify anything or provide any additional information.

About SIRUM

SIRUM is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, founded at Stanford University that helps implement state-based programs to donate unused medications to patients in need. Donated medication is often the safety-net's last line of defense for vulnerable patients. SIRUM is the national leader in operationalizing donation programs, currently assisting donation programs in eleven states, helping tens of thousands of patients access millions of dollars of donated medication that they would not otherwise have been able to afford or access. SIRUM has provided testimony on over 25 state laws and regulations.

Support with Amendments

We believe that the modifications to the Prescription Drug Repository Program presented in HB 1310, if amended, have enormous potential to reduce health care costs and reduce needless waste for Maryland and Maryland residents.

We support HB 1310 with amendments.





Sincerely,

George Wang, PhD Co-Founder & Director

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