

TO: The Honorable Members of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee

FROM: Neal Lesher, Director, Government Affairs

DATE: June 3, 2024

RE: S.B. 1000 – Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulations

I write on behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry to express our concerns with S.B. 1000, which is scheduled to be considered by the committee this week.

This legislation would establish new limits on Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) including limits related to reimbursement, spread pricing, pharmacy networks and rebate reporting. The legislation would also establish a mandatory dispensing fee to be paid to pharmacies.

The inclusion of a mandatory dispensing fee will significantly increase the cost of health insurance for employers and individuals. We encourage lawmakers to continue to work with industry stakeholders on an alternative approach that will increase access while avoiding provisions that will significantly raise the cost of health insurance for employers and individuals.

For any questions or further discussion, please contact Neal Lesher, Director of Government Affairs, at nlesher@pachamber.org or 717-507-9240.