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RE: **SUPPORT** – House Bill 1151 – *Health Insurance – Reimbursement for Services Rendered by a Pharmacist*

On behalf of the Maryland State Medical Society and the Mid-Atlantic Association of Community Health Centers, we submit this letter of **support** for House Bill 1151. House Bill 1151 provides that, for the Medicaid program, the Children’s Health program, and for commercial health insurers coverage, coverage for services rendered to an enrollee, or insured by a licensed pharmacist acting within the pharmacist’s lawful scope of practice must be to the same extent as services rendered by any other licensed health care provider.

House Bill 1151 is simply about payment parity. Those who are contracted by an insurer, whether public or private, to provide a service should not be paid less for that service than others. For this reason, we support House Bill 1151.