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To whom it may concern:

My name is Rachel Sipe and I am a pharmacist practicing in Russell, Kansas. I am writing you today to ask for your support of HB 2598.

In my relatively short time that I have been a pharmacist, I have seen first hand the difficulties and hardships that the unregulated PBMs have on the entire industry of pharmacy. Because of tactics like spread billing and pricing manipulations, I see patients weekly that cannot afford their medications, that are required to go to a pharmacy that is not their pharmacy of choice, and that must get the brand name of their medications because their insurance will not cover the cheaper, generic option. Many of the patients I deal with daily are on a very fixed income and it affects them every time they step in the doors of a pharmacy. PBM transparency is a must!

I am offering my support of HB 2598. This bill would bring about much needed oversight I. The industry in Kansas and would benefit patients and payers alike. Thank you for your time and consideration of HB 2598.

Sincerely,

Rachel Sipe, PharmD