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Dear Chair Meek, Vice Chair McLane and committee members:

SB707 has my **full support** as pharmacies are already paying the CAT tax that is passed on to pharmacies via pharmaceutical wholesalers. Please consider banning pharmaceutical wholesalers from passing this tax on to the local pharmacies.

During this time of community pharmacy fragility, we need relief from this tax to stay viable in our communities.

Many pharmacies in Oregon are struggling to survive given the current situation with decreased PBM reimbursements. Pharmacies have little to no control over the price paid for their services and our doors are closing because of it.

Pharmacies remain critical to their communities. Please take this step to do your part in helping pharmacies survive.

Thank you,

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