



April 6, 2021

House Health Finance and Policy Committee
Via electronic correspondence

RE: HF 2128 (Health Finance Omnibus Bill)

Dear Chair Liebling and members of the House Health Finance and Policy Committee:

The undersigned organizations represent thousands of individuals facing serious, acute, and chronic health conditions in Minnesota. Our organizations would like to thank Chair Liebling for including House File 633 in Article 5 of the Health Finance and Policy Committee’s omnibus bill, House File 2128.

Representative Bierman’s proposal would give consumers who purchase coverage on the individual and small-group markets the choice of buying a plan that restructures the out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs. It would give patients a coverage option that makes the drugs that keep them healthy and productive -- and in many cases alive – more affordable, without disrupting health insurance markets or forcing this option on other Minnesotans who do not need this kind of coverage.

We look forward to promoting passage of this legislation, and hope progress on copay-only coverage options will continue this year as the House and Senate work to reconcile their omnibus proposals. If you have questions, please contact Dana Bacon, Regional Director of Government Affairs for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (dana.bacon@lls.org, 612.308.0479).

Sincerely,

American Cancer Society
Cancer Action Network
Arthritis Foundation
Cancer Legal Care
Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations
Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota
Hemophilia Federation of America

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Minnesota Medical Association
National Multiple Sclerosis Society
National Psoriasis Foundation
National Organization for Rare Disorders
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