

Reduce your Rx drug costs NOW!

ACT TODAY

An important bill to reduce prescription drug prices in Wisconsin has passed the State Assembly, but needs your immediate action to get through the State Senate!

WHAT IS IT?

AB 482 would exempt prescription drugs from Wisconsin's minimum markup law, saving millions of dollars for Wisconsin consumers, both insured and uninsured, while also providing significant savings for local and state government employees, Medicaid, and Medicare.

This legislation allows main street pharmacies, as well as national pharmacy outlets like Copsps, CVC, Shopko, Target, Walgreens, and Walmart to sell a full roster of prescription drugs on their \$4 list without having to meet the requirement to mark them up by 9%.

WITH SPECIAL THANKS

The bill passed the state assembly with a bipartisan majority thanks to the hard work of Assembly Speaker Mike Sheridan (D - Janesville), Majority Leader Tom Nelson (D - Appleton), Minority Leader Jeff Fitzgerald (R - Juneau), along with Chairman Jon Richards (D - Milwaukee) and the Assembly Committee on Health and Healthcare Reform.

The following authors also deserve thanks: Representatives Cullen, Fields, Grigsby, Hintz, Hubler, Jorgensen, Kramer, Mason, Nass, Newcomer, Pasch, Pope-Roberts, Roys, Schneider, Sinicki, Turner, Vruwink, Vukmir, and Young. It was cosponsored by Senators Risser, Carpenter, Cowles, Darling, Erpenbach, Lazich, Olsen, Plale, and Taylor.

URGENT CALL TO ACTION!

The Senate Committee on Public Health and Senior Issues will hold a public hearing on AB 482 on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 at the State Capitol, in Room 201 S.E. at 10 am. Call the committee members and your state senator and tell them to have the full Senate take action on this bi-partisan bill immediately as a way to lower Rx drug prices for consumers.

Committee on Public Health and Senior Issues: Senate Organization Committee

- Senator Tim Carpenter (Chair), 608-266-8535
- Senator Russell Decker (Chair) (608) 266-2502
- Senator Spencer Coggs, 608-266-2500
- Senator David Hansen (608) 266-5670
- Senator Kathleen Vinehout, 608-266-8546
- Senator Fred Risser (608) 266-1627
- Senator Dale Schultz, 608-266-0703
- Senator Scott Fitzgerald (608) 266-5660
- Senator Dan Kapanke, 608-266-5490
- Senator Glenn Grothman (608) 266-7513

Or call the following senators and urge them to support the bill:

- Senator Jon Erpenbach (608) 266-6670
- Senator Pat Kreitlow (608) 266-7511
- Senator Sheila Harsdorf (608) 266-7745
- Senator Julie Lassa (608) 266-3123
- Senator Jim Holperin (608) 266-2509
- Senator Joseph Leibham (608) 266-2056
- Senator Robert Jauch (608) 266-3510
- Senator Mark Miller (608) 266-9170

AB 482 is a way to help all Wisconsin consumers save money on their prescription drugs. Let's Get It Done, Today!

Thank you,



People for Affordable Prescription Drugs

- Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
- Milwaukee County Commission on Aging
- Wisconsin Alliance for Retired Americans
- Wisconsin Association of Nutrition Directors
- Wisconsin Retired Educators' Association
- Wisconsin Nurses Association
- Fox Valley Area Labor Council Retirees Club
- Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriff's Association
- Wisconsin AFL-CIO
- Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce
- Plumbers Local 75
- Walmart Stores, Inc.
- Steamfitters Local 601
- Wisconsin Pipe Trades Association
- Wisconsin Counties Association

For more information, or to join the coalition, contact:
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