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Dear Senate Health and Human Services Committee members,

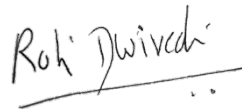
On behalf of our more than 3,100 family physician and medical student members, the Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) urges your support of SF 1806. SF 1806's restriction of mid-year formulary changes will make a big impact for patients and their health care teams. The unacceptable disruption to care caused by these changes is frustrating for both patients and physicians and can be dangerous for patients.

The MAFP is the largest physician specialty society in Minnesota, and our members take care of patients, families and communities across the state. We are leaders in primary care and see it as our job to work with our teams to keep our patients healthy, address health disparities and manage our patients' chronic conditions. We work hard in partnership with our patients to ensure they have the treatment that works best for them so that they can live their healthiest lives. Mid-year formulary changes get in the way of these efforts and result in unnecessary barriers to care.

Insurers and PBMs forcing patients to change from the medication that is working is not what is best for the patient. Mid-year formulary changes cause patients to lose access to their life-saving medication, despite not being able to change insurers until the end of the enrollment year. SF 1806 is an important step to help protect Minnesotans.

Family physicians ask for your support of SF 1806. We look forward to engaging with you and your colleagues and are grateful for our shared commitment to the health of Minnesotans.

Sincerely,



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