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The Honorable Sheila Leslie
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District 27
401 S. Carson Street
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Dear Assemblywoman Leslie:

Assembly Bill 307 under consideration today by Elections, Procedures & Ethics would create the Silver State Commission on Prescription Drugs. We applaud your sponsorship of this measure and support A.B. 307.

No other single issue is of greater concern to retired public employees than health care, the pharmaceutical component of which poses an increasing financial challenge for retirees. Regardless of whether those retirees' health care coverage is provided by a public entity or through private sector insurance, pharmaceuticals are a growing problem for older citizens.

Discussion of this topic continues at the national as well as the state level and we believe that Assembly Bill 307 is an excellent expression of this state's concern about pharmaceuticals.

Although I won't be able to attend today's committee meeting I want to be sure you know RPEN supports this measure.

Sincerely,

Martin Bibb
Executive Director

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