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The Honorable Steve Wilson, Chairman
Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance, and Technology Committee
One Capitol Square
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Wilson, Vice Chair Lang, Ranking Member Craig, and Members of the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance, and Technology Committee:

On behalf of the Zangmeister Cancer Center, we thank you for the opportunity to submit proponent testimony in support of Senate Bill 207.

For more than 30 years, the Zangmeister Cancer Center has provided comprehensive cancer care to patients across Central Ohio. Over the last decade, we have seen a growing use of payer-imposed Accumulator Adjustment Programs, which block patient assistance funds from applying toward a patient's out-of-pocket costs. We strongly oppose these programs, as they make it harder for patients to afford their medications, forcing many to delay refills, skip doses, or abandon care altogether.

Opponents of SB 207 have suggested that third-party assistance, which includes manufacturer assistance, encourages physicians to steer patients toward preferred treatments. We want to ensure you that this is categorically false.

Every treatment recommendation we make is guided by scientific evidence, peer-reviewed research, established clinical guidelines, and our ethical obligation to do no harm as physicians. We prescribe therapy for each individual patient based on their specific diagnosis, medical history, and expected clinical benefit.

SB 207 is critical to ensuring patient access to life-saving care. The Zangmeister Cancer Center urges the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance, and Technology Committee to support this legislation and stand with us in our daily fight against cancer.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and ongoing efforts to improve health care access and outcomes for Ohioans. We welcome the opportunity to serve as a resource should you wish to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

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