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**Senator Hackett**

**Cosponsors: Senators Maharath, Wilson, Craig, Thomas, Antonio, Kunze,  
Schuring**

**A BILL**

To amend sections 5164.751 and 5167.01 and to enact 1  
sections 3902.50, 3902.51, 4729.49, and 5167.123 2  
of the Revised Code to prohibit a pharmacy 3  
benefit manager from taking certain actions with 4  
respect to reimbursements made to health care 5  
providers that participate in the federal 340B 6  
Drug Pricing Program. 7

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 5164.751 and 5167.01 be amended 8  
and sections 3902.50, 3902.51, 4729.49, and 5167.123 of the 9  
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 10

**Sec. 3902.50.** As used in this section and section 3902.51 11  
of the Revised Code: 12

(A) "340B covered entity" and "third-party administrator" 13  
have the same meanings as in section 5167.01 of the Revised 14  
Code. 15

(B) "Health plan issuer" has the same meaning as in 16  
section 3922.01 of the Revised Code. 17

(C) "Terminal distributor of dangerous drugs" has the same 18  
meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code. 19

**Sec. 3902.51.** (A) On and after the effective date of this 20  
section, a contract entered into between a health plan issuer, 21  
including a third-party administrator, and a 340B covered entity 22  
shall not contain any of the following provisions: 23

(1) A reimbursement rate for a prescription drug that is 24  
less than the national average drug acquisition cost rate for 25  
that drug as determined by the United States centers for 26  
medicare and medicaid services, measured at the time the drug is 27  
administered or dispensed, or, if no such rate is available at 28  
that time, a reimbursement rate that is less than the wholesale 29  
acquisition cost of the drug, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1395w- 30  
3a(c) (6) (B); 31

(2) A dispensing fee reimbursement amount that is less 32  
than the reimbursement amount provided to a terminal distributor 33  
of dangerous drugs under section 5164.753 of the Revised Code; 34

(3) A fee that is not imposed on a health care provider 35  
that is not a 340B covered entity; 36

(4) A fee amount that exceeds the fee amount for a health 37  
care provider that is not a 340B covered entity. 38

(B) No health plan issuer or third-party administrator 39  
making payments pursuant to a health benefit plan shall 40  
discriminate against a 340B covered entity in a manner that 41  
prevents or interferes with an enrollee's choice to receive a 42  
prescription drug from a 340B covered entity or its contracted 43  
pharmacies. 44

(C) Any provision of a contract entered into between a 45  
health plan issuer and a 340B covered entity that is contrary to 46

division (A) of this section is unenforceable and shall be 47  
replaced with the dispensing fee or reimbursement rate that 48  
applies for health care providers that are not 340B covered 49  
entities. 50

**Sec. 4729.49.** (A) As used in this section, "340B covered 51  
entity," "medicaid managed care organization," and "third-party 52  
administrator" have the same meanings as in section 5167.01 of 53  
the Revised Code. 54

(B) A contract between a terminal distributor of dangerous 55  
drugs and a 340B covered entity shall require the terminal 56  
distributor to comply with division (C) of this section. 57

(C) When paying a 340B covered entity for a dangerous drug 58  
dispensed to a patient, a terminal distributor shall pay to the 59  
340B covered entity the full reimbursement amount the terminal 60  
distributor receives from the patient and the patient's health 61  
insurer, including a third-party administrator or medicaid 62  
managed care organization, except that the terminal distributor 63  
may deduct from the full reimbursement amount a fee agreed on in 64  
writing by the terminal distributor and the 340B covered entity. 65

**Sec. 5164.751.** (A) As used in this section, "state maximum 66  
allowable cost" means the per unit amount the medicaid program 67  
pays a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs for a prescribed 68  
drug included in the state maximum allowable cost program 69  
established under division (B) of this section. "State maximum 70  
allowable cost" excludes dispensing fees and copayments, 71  
coinsurance, or other cost-sharing charges, if any. 72

(B) ~~The~~ Subject to section 5167.123 of the Revised Code, 73  
the medicaid director shall establish a state maximum allowable 74  
cost program for purposes of managing medicaid payments to 75

terminal distributors of dangerous drugs for prescribed drugs 76  
identified by the director pursuant to this division. The 77  
director shall do all of the following with respect to the 78  
program: 79

(1) Identify and create a list of prescribed drugs to be 80  
included in the program. 81

(2) Update the list of prescribed drugs described in 82  
division (B) (1) of this section on a weekly basis. 83

(3) Review the state maximum allowable cost for each 84  
prescribed drug included on the list described in division (B) 85  
(1) of this section on a weekly basis. 86

**Sec. 5167.01.** As used in this chapter: 87

(A) "340B covered entity" means an entity described in 88  
section 340B(a) (4) of the "Public Health Service Act," 42 U.S.C. 89  
256b(a) (4) and includes any pharmacy under contract with the 90  
entity to dispense drugs on behalf of the entity. 91

(B) "Affiliated company" means an entity, including a 92  
third-party payer or specialty pharmacy, with common ownership, 93  
members of a board of directors, or managers, or that is a 94  
parent company, subsidiary company, jointly held company, or 95  
holding company with respect to the other entity. 96

~~(B)~~ (C) "Care management system" means the system 97  
established under section 5167.03 of the Revised Code. 98

~~(C)~~ (D) "Controlled substance" has the same meaning as in 99  
section 3719.01 of the Revised Code. 100

~~(D)~~ (E) "Dual eligible individual" has the same meaning as 101  
in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code. 102

~~(E)~~ (F) "Emergency services" has the same meaning as in 103  
the "Social Security Act," section 1932(b)(2), 42 U.S.C. 1396u- 104  
2(b)(2). 105

~~(F)~~ (G) "Enrollee" means a medicaid recipient who 106  
participates in the care management system and enrolls in a 107  
medicaid MCO plan. 108

~~(G)~~ (H) "ICDS participant" has the same meaning as in 109  
section 5164.01 of the Revised Code. 110

~~(H)~~ (I) "Medicaid managed care organization" means a 111  
managed care organization under contract with the department of 112  
medicaid pursuant to section 5167.10 of the Revised Code. 113

~~(I)~~ (J) "Medicaid MCO plan" means a plan that a medicaid 114  
managed care organization, pursuant to its contract with the 115  
department of medicaid under section 5167.10 of the Revised 116  
Code, makes available to medicaid recipients participating in 117  
the care management system. 118

~~(J)~~ (K) "Medicaid waiver component" has the same meaning 119  
as in section 5166.01 of the Revised Code. 120

~~(K)~~ (L) "Network provider" has the same meaning as in 42 121  
C.F.R. 438.2. 122

~~(L)~~ (M) "Nursing facility services" has the same meaning 123  
as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code. 124

~~(M)~~ (N) "Part B drug" means a drug or biological described 125  
in section 1842(o)(1)(C) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 126  
1395u(o)(1)(C). 127

~~(N)~~ (O) "Pharmacy benefit manager" has the same meaning as 128  
in section 3959.01 of the Revised Code. 129

<del>(O)</del> <u>(P)</u> "Practice of pharmacy" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.	130 131
<del>(P)</del> <u>(Q)</u> "Prescribed drug" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.	132 133
<del>(Q)</del> <u>(R)</u> "Prior authorization requirement" has the same meaning as in section 5160.34 of the Revised Code.	134 135
<del>(R)</del> <u>(S)</u> "Provider" means any person or government entity that furnishes services to a medicaid recipient enrolled in a medicaid MCO plan, regardless of whether the person or entity has a provider agreement.	136 137 138 139
<del>(S)</del> <u>(T)</u> "Provider agreement" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.	140 141
<del>(T)</del> <u>(U)</u> "State pharmacy benefit manager" means the pharmacy benefit manager selected by and under contract with the medicaid director under section 5167.24 of the Revised Code.	142 143 144
<del>(U)</del> <u>(V)</u> "Third-party administrator" means any person who adjusts or settles claims on behalf of an insuring entity in connection with life, dental, health, prescription drugs, or disability insurance or self-insurance programs and includes a pharmacy benefit manager.	145 146 147 148 149
<b><u>Sec. 5167.123.</u></b> (A) <u>No contract between a medicaid managed care organization, including a third-party administrator, and a 340B covered entity shall contain any of the following provisions:</u>	150 151 152 153
<u>(1) A payment rate for a prescribed drug that is less than the national average drug acquisition cost rate for that drug as determined by the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services, measured at the time the drug is administered</u>	154 155 156 157

or dispensed, or, if no such rate is available at that time, a 158  
reimbursement rate that is less than the wholesale acquisition 159  
cost of the drug, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1395w-3a(c) (6) (B); 160

(2) A fee that is not imposed on a health care provider 161  
that is not a 340B covered entity; 162

(3) A fee amount that exceeds the amount for a health care 163  
provider that is not a 340B covered entity. 164

(B) The organization, or its contracted third-party 165  
administrators, shall not discriminate against a 340B covered 166  
entity in a manner that prevents or interferes with a medicaid 167  
recipient's choice to receive a prescription drug from a 340B 168  
covered entity or its contracted pharmacies. 169

(C) Any provision of a contract entered into between the 170  
organization and a 340B covered entity that is contrary to 171  
division (A) of this section is unenforceable and shall be 172  
replaced with the dispensing fee or payment rate that applies 173  
for health care providers that are not 340B covered entities. 174

**Section 2.** That existing sections 5164.751 and 5167.01 of 175  
the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 176