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The Honorable Umair Shah, MD, MPH
Washington State Secretary of Health
Washington State Department of Health
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Dear Secretary Shah,

As Chair of the Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee, I am requesting that the Department of Health consider a Sunrise Review application for a proposal that would give the Washington State Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission authority to regulate licensed pharmacist prescribing outside of a collaborative agreement.

A copy of the proposal is attached, [SB 6019 \(HB 2116\)](#) from the 2024 legislative session. The Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee would be interested in an assessment of whether the proposal meets the sunrise criteria for expanding the scope of practice for a regulated health profession in Washington.

The proponent for this proposal is the Washington State Pharmacy Association. The individual to contact is their CEO, Jenny Arnold, PharmD at jenny@wsparx.org or 425-207-6342.

I appreciate your consideration of this application and I look forward to receiving your report. Please contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Annette Cleveland".

Senator Annette Cleveland
Chair, Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee
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