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To: Senate Committee on Health Care; others

Re: I OPPOSE [SB 844]...I vote "No" to "The Prescription Drug Affordability Stakeholder Council."

[SB 844] is a logical prelude to [SB 848] but, both create additional layers of government with "No costs" and or "funding sources" to function.

The creation of, "The Prescription Drug Affordability Stakeholder Council" will be nightmare of political intrigue and corruption.

The (23) "stakeholders" will add significant confusion to carry out the mandates of [SB 844].

The "stakeholders" themselves will create "political clicks" to ensure their recommendations go forward.

There are "No" methodologies listed to serve as "checks and balances" within [SB 844].

***Price controls requisite of socialized medicine" can stifle good medical care.

***What is needed immediately is a review by existing OHA management of the most used pharmaceuticals and devices and lower the prices of those items so identified.

For example; insulin, needles and "free drop-offs" of "sharps containers" would be a nice start.

Respectfully submitted,

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