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## **Michigan Legislation Would Facilitate Unrestricted 340B Growth Without Accountability**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – The Alliance for Integrity and Reform of 340B (AIR340B) Coalition issued the following statement in response to Michigan House Bill 5350 (HB 5350) and Senate Bill 1179 (SB 1179), legislation that would allow for continued unchecked growth of for-profit contract pharmacies in the 340B program:

*“AIR340B is deeply concerned about the negative impact HB 5350 and SB 1179 could have on the 340B Drug Pricing Program in Michigan. The explosive growth of contract pharmacies in the 340B program allows hospitals, large pharmacy chains and pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) to profit at the expense of the vulnerable patients the program is meant to serve.*

*HB 5350 and SB 1179 would enable 340B abuses without holding bad actors accountable for putting profits over patients. Michigan lawmakers must reconsider policies that would allow hospitals and for-profit corporations to continue leaving patients in need behind.”*

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**The Alliance for Integrity and Reform of 340B (AIR340B)** is a coalition of patient advocacy groups, clinical care providers and biopharmaceutical innovators dedicated to reforming and strengthening the 340B program to ensure it directly supports access to outpatient prescription medicines for uninsured indigent patients. To learn more, visit [www.340breform.org](http://www.340breform.org).