



JAMES W. EDMING

STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 87TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

March 18, 2015

State Rep. John Nygren
Co-Chair, Joint Finance Committee
309 East, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Rep. Nygren:

Since Governor Walker's February budget address, a number of my constituents have contacted me to voice their concerns regarding the suggested changes to SeniorCare. As you already know, SeniorCare allows the elderly to obtain necessary medications at an affordable price, even if Medicare does not cover these prescriptions. It is clear that SeniorCare is a critical prescription drug program for Wisconsin's elderly.

Presently, more than 80,000 of Wisconsin's seniors are SeniorCare enrollees. This program provides these seniors with a sense of assurance and safeguards against increasing prescription costs and tax hikes. Compared to other prescription drug programs such as Medicare Part D, SeniorCare is definitely more affordable for the elderly. Additionally, a large percentage of seniors rely on fixed incomes, and consequently, it is essential to maintain SeniorCare. This program will ensure that prescription medications remain affordable for seniors.

I strongly encourage you and the other members of the Joint Finance Committee to contemplate preserving SeniorCare. This program is valuable within our state and upholding the affordability of prescription medications for our seniors is vital.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James W. Edming".

James W. Edming
State Representative
Assembly District 87