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I am writing to express my serious concerns and strong opposition to the California Board of Pharmacy’s proposed regulations that would block patient access to legal Category 1 sterile compounds, including widely used treatments such as glutathione and methylcobalamin (the active form of vitamin B12). These regulations, if enacted, would not only severely limit but in many cases end access to dozens of vital medications for many Californians, including those with chronic illnesses and our brave firefighters, many of whom rely on glutathione treatments for detoxification from hazardous exposure.

The Alliance for Pharmacy Compounding has identified 57 specific instances where the proposed regulations exceed federal and Pharmacopeia standards without the board of pharmacy offering scientific or legal justification. This arbitrary overreach poses a significant threat to the health and well-being of vulnerable populations. Moreover, the lack of transparency and clarity in the proposed regulations is deeply troubling. Although a public hearing took place, the responses to public comments were largely generic, failing to address specific concerns and undermining genuine public participation.

Dozens of respected medical institutions and organizations have publicly voiced their opposition and view that the regulations are arbitrary because they do not align with federal law or science. The regulations would also disproportionately harm patients and firefighters, denying equal protection.

Finally, it is clear the Board of Pharmacy is exploiting Assembly Bill 973 – which Governor Newsom signed into law in 2019 to align compounding regulations with Pharmacopeia standards – by using a provision that allows exceeding federal standards. The Legislature likely did not intend for this to result in 57 deviations from federal norms, highlighting the exploitative nature of this approach.

As this matter is under review and may move to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for further consideration, I urge you to take a stand and ensure that these harmful regulations do not go into effect. The health and lives of countless Californians depend on your advocacy to protect their access to essential medical treatments.

Please consider the severe implications of this decision and take action to halt these regulations from moving forward. Your support in this matter is crucial.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]