

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

This petition of Nicole Emilie Gastrell

draws the attention of the House : to the current dispensing practice of supplying medicines through pharmacies in 30 day quantities. Citizens with chronic illnesses or on lifelong medications are forced to pay a monthly dispensing fee to the pharmacist for medicines, regardless if the citizen stock piles in one transaction a few months supply for convenience and piece of mind .This monthly charge adds to financial burden for citizens and only benefits the pharmacy and pharmacist who charge the fee for each single unit quantity.

I therefore ask the House to: improve medicine accessibility and affordability by changing the dispensing fee practice for citizens with chronic illnesses or on lifelong medicines. Allow citizens in this medical group to purchase medicines on 90 days / 3 month dispense, with one dispensing fee only charged for the supply for their medicines instead of what would amount to 3 dispensing fees.