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Senator Jim Marleau  
Chair, Senate Health Policy Committee

RE: SB 333 and SB 350

Dear Senator Marleau,

On behalf of the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan I am writing in support of this legislation.

In 2005 the legislature amended MCL 333.17766e to regulate the over-the-counter sale of products containing ephedrine and pseudoephedrine. This regulation was done to counter the explosive growth of methamphetamine production in Michigan. Unfortunately, the meth makers have found new ways to cook meth, and new ways to get around the 2005 law.

By requiring all purchases of products containing ephedrine and pseudoephedrine to be first cleared through the National Precursor Log Exchange (NPLEX) administered by the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI), we should reduce the use of these products to produce meth, and identify the criminals who make this dangerous drug.

Moreover, the provisions of SB 350, making it a crime to give false identification to purchase these products, will target one of the main ways criminals get around the current law.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronald Schafer  
President

cc: Sen. Proos  
Sen. Nofs