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PDSA Applauds Congress's Efforts to Safeguard Nation's Drug Supply Chain

WASHINGTON (October 24, 2012) - The Pharmaceutical Distribution Security Alliance - a coalition of more than 30 pharmacy, distributor, logistics, manufacturer, and association members committed to enhancing the security of the nation's drug supply chain, applauded Members of Congress for their continued efforts to develop a single, uniform national system to protect America's health care consumers.

"PDSA greatly appreciates the continued urgency and commitment of many in Congress to enact a single, uniform national system to safeguard our vast pharmaceutical distribution supply chain, as demonstrated earlier today by the release of another bipartisan and bicameral legislative proposal," PDSA Advisor Elizabeth Wroe said.

"We are particularly encouraged that Chairmen Harkin and Upton and Ranking Members Enzi and Waxman are all sponsors of the latest proposal, indicating the deep commitment Congress has to enacting a single, uniform national system into law this year. We are also grateful for the longstanding support we have had from Senators Bennett and Burr, Congressmen Bilbray and Matheson and other lawmakers in both the House and Senate.

"It is essential that Congress enact a single, uniform national supply chain system by the end of this year to better safeguard consumers and to prevent us from having a patchwork quilt of unaligned and potentially conflicting state laws that will fail to thoroughly protect patients and will levy unnecessary burdens on supply chain stakeholders.

"We look forward to reviewing the latest proposal and to working with Congress and other stakeholders to develop final language that protects the public's health and that can be enacted into law by the end of this year."

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