

# Executive Fired After Opposing 5,000% Drug Price Hike

A former vice president of the drugmaker that drew national criticism for raising the price of a parasite-fighting medication by 5,000% testified he was fired weeks after telling CEO Martin Shkreli the increase “was not justified,” reports *USA Today*.

The report says Howard Dorfman, also the former top lawyer for Turing Pharmaceuticals, told a Senate committee he joined managers who told Shkreli and other company officials that hiking the price from \$13.50 per pill to \$750 per pill “would have a severely negative impact on Turing’s business and reputation.”

Shkreli later resigned from Turing and now faces unrelated federal securities fraud charges.

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