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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING TRANSPARENCY IN DIABETES PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
102 PRICING.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill creates the "Diabetes Drug Pricing Transparency Act of 2018". The state board of health is responsible for implementing the act. Drug manufacturers and pharmacy benefit managers must submit annual reports to the state board regarding drugs used to treat diabetes that are subject to price increases of certain percentages. The state board analyzes the submitted information and publishes a report. The state board may

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impose penalties on drug manufacturers or pharmacy benefit managers who do not comply with reporting requirements. Nonprofit organizations advocating for patients with diabetes or funding diabetes medical research that receive contributions from certain diabetes drug manufacturers must annually report those contributions.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** article 51 to title
3 25 as follows:

4 **ARTICLE 51**

5 **Diabetes Drug Pricing Transparency**

6 **25-51-101. Short title.** THE SHORT TITLE OF THIS ARTICLE 51 IS
7 THE "DIABETES DRUG PRICING TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2018".

8 **25-51-102. Legislative declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
9 FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

10 (a) ALMOST TWENTY THOUSAND COLORADANS ARE DIAGNOSED
11 WITH DIABETES EACH YEAR. AS OF JANUARY 1, 2018, NEARLY THREE
12 HUNDRED THOUSAND COLORADO ADULTS HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED AS
13 DIABETIC AND ANOTHER ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND ARE UNDIAGNOSED
14 BUT LIVING WITH THE DISEASE.

15 (b) EVERY COLORADAN WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES AND MANY WITH
16 TYPE 2 DIABETES RELY ON DAILY DOSES OF INSULIN TO SURVIVE;

17 (c) THE ANNUAL MEDICAL COST RELATED TO DIABETES IN
18 COLORADO IS ALMOST FOUR BILLION DOLLARS. APPROXIMATELY
19 EIGHTEEN PERCENT OF THAT AMOUNT, OR SEVEN HUNDRED MILLION
20 DOLLARS, IS FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO TREAT DIABETES.

21 (d) INSULIN PRICES ROSE BY FORTY-FIVE PERCENT BETWEEN 2014
22 AND 2017; AND

23 (e) THE INTENT OF THIS ARTICLE 51 IS TO MAKE INFORMATION

1 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE COST OF DIABETES PRESCRIPTION
2 DRUGS IN ORDER TO MAKE DRUG PRICING AS TRANSPARENT AS POSSIBLE.

3 **25-51-103. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE 51, UNLESS THE
4 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

5 (1) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
6 AND ENVIRONMENT CREATED IN SECTION 25-1-102.

7 (2) "DRUG MANUFACTURER" MEANS THE MANUFACTURER OF A
8 PRESCRIPTION DRUG THAT IS MADE AVAILABLE IN COLORADO AND IS USED
9 FOR THE TREATMENT OF DIABETES, INCLUDING ALL FORMS OF INSULIN AND
10 BIGUANIDES.

11 (3) "PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
12 SET FORTH IN SECTION 25-37-102 (13).

13 (4) "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
14 CREATED IN SECTION 25-1-103.

15 (5) "WHOLESALE ACQUISITION COST" MEANS A DRUG
16 MANUFACTURER'S LIST PRICE FOR A PRESCRIPTION DRUG OFFERED FOR
17 SALE TO WHOLESALERS OR DIRECT PURCHASERS IN THE UNITED STATES,
18 NOT INCLUDING ANY DISCOUNTS, REBATES, OR REDUCTIONS IN PRICE, AS
19 REPORTED IN WHOLESALE PRICE GUIDES OR OTHER PUBLICATIONS OF DRUG
20 PRICING DATA.

21 **25-51-104. State board list of diabetes prescription drugs.**

22 (1) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2019, AND BY FEBRUARY 1 EACH YEAR
23 THEREAFTER, THE STATE BOARD SHALL COMPILE:

24 (a) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT THE STATE BOARD
25 DETERMINES TO BE ESSENTIAL FOR TREATING DIABETES IN THIS STATE,
26 INCLUDING ALL FORMS OF INSULIN AND BIGUANIDES THAT ARE MADE
27 AVAILABLE IN COLORADO, TOGETHER WITH THE WHOLESALE ACQUISITION

1 COST OF EACH DRUG ON THE LIST; AND

2 (b) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
3 (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION THAT WERE SUBJECT TO AN INCREASE IN THE
4 WHOLESALE ACQUISITION COST BY A PERCENTAGE GREATER THAN:

5 (I) THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN THE MEDICAL CARE
6 COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR
7 DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING
8 CALENDAR YEAR; OR

9 (II) TWICE THE SUM OF THE PERCENTAGE INCREASES IN THE
10 MEDICAL CARE COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE
11 TWO IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEARS. FOR PURPOSES OF THE
12 CALCULATION REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b)(II), FOR YEARS PRIOR
13 TO 2018, THE MEDICAL CARE COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE
14 INDEX FOR DENVER-BOULDER-GREELEY APPLY TO THIS SUBSECTION
15 (1)(b)(II) AND FOR 2018 AND SUCCEEDING YEARS, THE MEDICAL CARE
16 COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR
17 DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD APPLY.

18 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, BY FEBRUARY 1, 2019, AND BY EACH
19 FEBRUARY 1 THEREAFTER, POST THE LISTS REQUIRED TO BE COMPILED BY
20 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

21 **25-51-105. Drug manufacturer drug pricing reports.** (1) THE
22 STATE BOARD SHALL PREPARE A REPORT FORM TO BE COMPLETED BY DRUG
23 MANUFACTURERS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPEARING ON THE LIST
24 COMPILED BY THE STATE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25-51-104
25 (1)(b). THE REPORT FORM SHALL SPECIFY THE APPLICABLE TIME PERIODS
26 FOR THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED.

27 (2) ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, 2019, AND BY EACH MAY 1

1 THEREAFTER, EACH DRUG MANUFACTURER OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG
2 APPEARING ON THE MOST CURRENT LIST COMPILED BY THE STATE BOARD
3 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25-51-104 (1)(b) SHALL PREPARE AND
4 SUBMIT TO THE STATE BOARD A COMPLETED REPORT FORM FOR EACH
5 LISTED DRUG, WHICH FORM INCLUDES:

6 (a) THE TOTAL COST TO PRODUCE THE DRUG;

7 (b) THE TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES DIRECTLY
8 RELATED TO THE DRUG, INCLUDING MARKETING AND ADVERTISING COSTS;

9 (c) THE TOTAL ANNUAL PROFIT THE DRUG MANUFACTURER
10 EARNED FROM THE DRUG, IDENTIFIED BY YEAR;

11 (d) THE PERCENTAGE OF THE DRUG MANUFACTURER'S TOTAL
12 PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PROFIT FROM THE DRUG, IDENTIFIED BY
13 YEAR;

14 (e) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THAT THE
15 DRUG MANUFACTURER PROVIDED THROUGH ANY PATIENT PRESCRIPTION
16 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE DRUG;

17 (f) THE TOTAL COST ASSOCIATED WITH COUPONS OR REBATES
18 PROVIDED DIRECTLY TO CONSUMERS AND THE TOTAL COST OF PROGRAMS
19 ASSISTING CONSUMERS IN PAYING COPAYMENTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE
20 DRUG;

21 (g) THE WHOLESALE ACQUISITION COST OF THE DRUG;

22 (h) A RECORD OF EACH INCREASE IN THE WHOLESALE ACQUISITION
23 COST OF THE DRUG OVER THE FIVE YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE
24 DATE ON WHICH THE REPORT IS SUBMITTED, INCLUDING:

25 (I) THE AMOUNT OF EACH INCREASE, EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE
26 OF THE TOTAL WHOLESALE ACQUISITION COST OF THE DRUG;

27 (II) THE MONTH AND YEAR IN WHICH EACH INCREASE BECAME

1 EFFECTIVE; AND

2 (III) A SPECIFIC EXPLANATION FOR THE INCREASE, LISTING EACH
3 FACTOR THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE INCREASE, THE PERCENTAGE OF THE
4 TOTAL INCREASE THAT IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO EACH FACTOR, AND AN
5 EXPLANATION OF HOW EACH FACTOR AFFECTED THE INCREASE;

6 (i) THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL REBATES THAT THE DRUG
7 MANUFACTURER PROVIDED TO PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS FOR SALES
8 OF THE DRUG WITHIN THE STATE; AND

9 (j) ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE STATE
10 BOARD TO ANALYZE THE COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT APPEAR ON
11 THE LIST COMPILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25-51-104 (1)(b).

12 **25-51-106. Pharmacy benefit manager pricing reports.**

13 (1) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PREPARE A REPORT FORM TO BE COMPLETED
14 BY PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS. THE REPORT FORM SHALL SPECIFY THE
15 APPLICABLE TIME PERIODS FOR THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE
16 REPORTED.

17 (2) ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, 2019, AND BY EACH MAY 1
18 THEREAFTER, A PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER SHALL SUBMIT TO THE
19 STATE BOARD A REPORT THAT INCLUDES:

20 (a) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ALL REBATES THE PHARMACY BENEFIT
21 MANAGER NEGOTIATED WITH DRUG MANUFACTURERS DURING THE
22 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
23 INCLUDED ON THE LIST COMPILED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE
24 WITH SECTION 25-51-104 (1)(b);

25 (b) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ALL REBATES DESCRIBED IN
26 SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION RETAINED BY THE PHARMACY BENEFIT
27 MANAGER; AND

1 (c) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ALL REBATES DESCRIBED IN
2 SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION NEGOTIATED FOR PURCHASES OF
3 DRUGS FOR USE BY:

4 (I) MEDICARE RECIPIENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH 42 U.S.C. SEC.
5 1395 ET SEQ.;

6 (II) MEDICAID RECIPIENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH 42 U.S.C. SEC.
7 1396 ET SEQ.;

8 (III) PERSONS ENROLLED IN PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS,
9 THE PREMIUMS FOR WHICH ARE PAID AT LEAST IN PART BY A GOVERNMENT
10 ENTITY; AND

11 (IV) PERSONS ENROLLED IN PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS
12 OTHER THAN PLANS INCLUDED IN SUBSECTION (2)(c)(III) OF THIS SECTION.

13 **25-51-107. State board analysis of pricing reports - report to**
14 **general assembly.** (1) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2019, AND BY EACH
15 AUGUST 1 THEREAFTER, THE STATE BOARD SHALL ANALYZE DATA IN THE
16 REPORTS SUBMITTED BY DRUG MANUFACTURERS AND PHARMACY BENEFIT
17 MANAGERS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 25-51-105 AND 25-51-106 AND
18 PRODUCE A REPORT ON PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES FOR DRUGS INCLUDED
19 IN THE DRUG MANUFACTURER AND PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER
20 REPORTS. BASED ON THE STATE BOARD'S ANALYSIS, THE STATE BOARD
21 REPORT SHALL INCLUDE THE STATE BOARD'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING
22 THE SPECIFIC REASONS FOR AN INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF EACH LISTED
23 DRUG. BY AUGUST 1, 2019, AND BY EACH AUGUST 1 THEREAFTER, THE
24 DEPARTMENT SHALL POST A COPY OF THE STATE BOARD'S REPORT ON THE
25 DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

26 (2) BY AUGUST 1, 2019, AND BY EACH AUGUST 1 THEREAFTER,
27 NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

1 SUBMIT THE REPORT REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO THE JOINT BUDGET
2 COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE HEALTH AND HUMAN
3 SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE, AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND
4 HUMAN SERVICES AND THE HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND ENVIRONMENT
5 COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
6 COMMITTEES.

7 **25-51-108. State board may accept gifts and grants - rules -**
8 **penalties.** (1) THE STATE BOARD MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS,
9 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE
10 PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE 51.

11 (2) THE STATE BOARD MAY PROMULGATE RULES NECESSARY FOR
12 THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS ARTICLE 51.

13 (3) THE STATE BOARD MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY ON A DRUG
14 MANUFACTURER OR PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER FOR A FAILURE TO
15 SUBMIT INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE 51. THE PENALTY MAY
16 NOT EXCEED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS PER DAY FOR EACH DAY THE DRUG
17 MANUFACTURER OR PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER FAILS TO SUBMIT THE
18 INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE 51. IN ANY ADMINISTRATIVE
19 ACTION BY THE STATE BOARD TO IMPOSE A PENALTY PURSUANT TO THIS
20 SUBSECTION (3), THE PROCESS MUST BE CONSISTENT WITH SECTION
21 24-4-105.

22 **25-51-109. Nonprofit organization reports.** (1) ON OR BEFORE
23 MAY 1, 2019, AND BY EACH MAY 1 THEREAFTER, A NONPROFIT
24 ORGANIZATION THAT ADVOCATES ON BEHALF OF PATIENTS WITH DIABETES
25 OR FUNDS DIABETES MEDICAL RESEARCH IN COLORADO THAT HAS
26 RECEIVED A PAYMENT, DONATION, SUBSIDY, OR THING OF VALUE FROM A
27 DRUG MANUFACTURER OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG APPEARING ON THE LIST

1 COMPILED BY THE STATE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25-51-104
2 (1)(b) DURING THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR SHALL
3 COMPILE A REPORT THAT INCLUDES:

4 (a) THE AMOUNT OF EACH PAYMENT, DONATION, SUBSIDY, OR
5 THING OF VALUE RECEIVED FROM EACH DRUG MANUFACTURER; AND

6 (b) THE PERCENTAGE OF THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION'S TOTAL
7 GROSS INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO PAYMENTS, DONATIONS, SUBSIDIES, OR
8 OTHER THINGS OF VALUE RECEIVED FROM EACH DRUG MANUFACTURER IN
9 THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR.

10 (2) BY MAY 1, 2019, AND BY EACH MAY 1 THEREAFTER,
11 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS REQUIRED TO COMPILE A REPORT UNDER
12 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION MUST POST THE REPORT ON A WEBSITE
13 THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AND MAINTAINED BY THE NONPROFIT
14 ORGANIZATION. IF THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DOES NOT MAINTAIN A
15 WEBSITE THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC, THE NONPROFIT
16 ORGANIZATION SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT EACH
17 YEAR BY MAY 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST A COPY OF EACH REPORT
18 SUBMITTED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

19 **25-51-110. Information subject to public disclosure.**
20 INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 51
21 IS NOT EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER SECTION 24-72-204 (3)(a)(IV)
22 OR ANY OTHER EXEMPTION CONTAINED IN PART 2 OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE
23 24.

24 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
25 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
27 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a

1 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
2 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
3 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
4 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
5 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
6 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.