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FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors: Rep. Young

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Bill Status: House Public Health
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Bill Topic: **PHARMACIES TO PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION READERS**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires retail pharmacies to notify prescription drug customers that a prescription reader is available upon request to individuals who are blind or visually impaired free of charge for the duration of the customer's prescription. The bill minimally increases workload in the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires retail pharmacies to notify prescription drug customers that a prescription reader is available to individuals who are blind or visually impaired, and to provide one upon request and free of charge for the duration of the customer's prescription.

The bill exempts prescriptions of drugs not dispensed in certain labeled containers, prescription drugs received through the mail, and pharmacies operated by correctional institutions or governmental agencies.

State Expenditures

The Department of Regulatory Agencies, which regulates pharmacies, will experience a minimal increase in workload associated with rulemaking and outreach. No change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2020, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2020, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections
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