

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 79TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 25, 2005**

**TO:** Honorable Dianne White Delisi, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2145** by Hupp (Relating to prohibiting changes in certain prescription drug orders without the approval of the prescribing health care practitioner.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would prohibit pharmacist from changing a drug or medication prescribed by a practitioner, without approval of that practitioner, for participants in a health care plan managed by the Employees Retirement System or by the Teacher Retirement System. The bill would exempt generic substitutions.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System

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