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TO: Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

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

IN RE: SB1620 by Van de Putte (Relating to a study regarding the confidentiality of prescription information.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB1620, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2008	\$0
2009	\$0
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2008	(\$10,000)	\$10,000
2009	\$0	\$0
2010	\$0	\$0
2011	\$0	\$0
2012	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend Occupations Code to require the Board of Pharmacy to conduct a study on how prescription information records containing patient-identifiable and practitioner-identifiable information are licensed, transferred, used, or sold.

The bill would require the Board of Pharmacy to submit no later than August 1, 2008 to the governor, lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature a report regarding the results of the study conducted together with any recommendation for legislation.

Methodology

Based on information provided by the Board of Pharmacy, it is assumed that the agency would realize a cost of \$10,000 in fiscal year 2008 for contracting with an entity to conduct the study required by the bill.

This analysis also assumes that any increased costs resulting from implementing the provisions of the bill would be offset by an increase in fee generated revenue.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 515 Board of Pharmacy

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