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## **SUMMARY**

Regulates pharmacy benefit manager practices with respect to filling and refilling prescriptions.

Provides Department of Consumer and Business Services with rulemaking and enforcement powers related to regulation of pharmacy benefit managers.

Becomes operative January 1, 2016.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to pharmacy benefit managers; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part
- 5 of ORS 735.530 to 735.552.
- 6 SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:
- 7 (a) "Community pharmacy" means a pharmacy that:
- 8 (A) Provides services to the public;
- 9 (B) Primarily dispenses prescription drugs to patients on location;
- 10 **and**

- 11 (C) Provides patients with an opportunity to consult with a 12 pharmacist in person.
- 13 (b) "Covered individual" means an individual who receives pre-14 scription drug coverage under a prescription drug benefit program or 15 a health benefit plan.
- 16 (c) "Health benefit plan" has the meaning given that term in ORS 17 743.730.
  - (d) "Mail-order pharmacy" means a pharmacy that:

- 1 (A) Primarily receives orders to fill or refill prescriptions by mail 2 or electronic transmission;
- 3 (B) Primarily dispenses prescription drugs to patients through the 4 use of the mail or a delivery service; and
- 5 (C) Primarily provides consultation services to patients by mail or 6 electronic means.
  - (2) A pharmacy benefit manager:

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- 8 (a) Must permit a covered individual to fill and refill a prescription 9 at:
- 10 (A) Any pharmacy that is part of the network of pharmacies served 11 by the pharmacy benefit manager; or
  - (B) Any community pharmacy that is not a part of the network of pharmacies served by the pharmacy benefit manager if the community pharmacy requests to enter into a contractual relationship with the pharmacy benefit manager for the purpose of participating in the network and agrees to accept the terms, conditions and reimbursement rates of the pharmacy benefit manager for the network.
- 18 (b) Must reimburse for prescription drugs at the same rate:
- 19 (A) Any pharmacy that is part of the network of pharmacies served 20 by the pharmacy benefit manager; or
  - (B) Any community pharmacy that is not a part of the network of pharmacies served by the pharmacy benefit manager if the community pharmacy requests to enter into a contractual relationship with the pharmacy benefit manager for the purpose of participating in the network and agrees to accept the terms, conditions and reimbursement rates of the pharmacy benefit manager for the network.
  - (c) May not impose a copayment, fee or other condition on a covered individual who elects to fill or refill a prescription at a community pharmacy if the pharmacy benefit manager does not impose the same copayment, fee or other condition on a covered individual who elects to fill or refill a prescription at a mail-order pharmacy.

- (d) Must, when submitting a claim for a prescription drug to a provider of a prescription drug program or to a health benefit plan, disclose to the provider or plan whether the pharmacy benefit manager receives a manufacturer rebate or other additional remuneration for dispensing the prescription drug and, if the pharmacy benefit manager receives a rebate or other remuneration, the amount of the rebate or remuneration.
- 8 (3)(a) This section does not apply to any prescription drug that the 9 Department of Consumer and Business Services finds, pursuant to this 10 subsection, is a specialty drug.
- 11 (b) The department may find that a prescription drug is a specialty 12 drug if:
- 13 (A) A pharmacy benefit manager files with the department, in a 14 form and manner prescribed by the department, a request to make a 15 finding that the prescription drug is a specialty drug; and
- 16 (B) The prescription drug requires:

- 17 (i) Special inventory management; and
- 18 (ii) Increased monitoring of or medical support for patients for 19 whom the prescription drug is prescribed.
- (c) Upon request by the department, a representative of the prospective drug use review program described in ORS 414.369 shall assist the department in making a finding under this subsection.
- SECTION 3. The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall adopt rules necessary for the administration of ORS 735.530 to 735.552.
- SECTION 4. (1) In addition to any other liability or penalty provided by law, the Department of Consumer and Business Services may impose for each violation of a provision of ORS 735.530 to 735.552 or for each violation of a rule adopted under ORS 735.530 to 735.552 a civil penalty that does not exceed \$10,000.
  - (2) The department shall impose the civil penalties under this sec-

- 1 tion in the manner provided by ORS 183.745.
- 2 (3) All moneys collected by the department pursuant to this section 3 shall be deposited in the Consumer and Business Services Fund created 4 in ORS 705.145.
  - SECTION 5. (1) Sections 2 to 4 of this 2015 Act become operative on January 1, 2016.
  - (2) The Department of Consumer and Business Services may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the department to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, powers and functions conferred on the department by sections 2 to 4 of this 2015 Act.
  - <u>SECTION 6.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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