

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/17/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/08, 04/17

Vote:

Yeas: 8 - Buehler, Greenlick, Hayden, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Nosse, Weidner

Exc: 1 - Clem

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides a registered nurse who is employed by a public or private school to accept orders from a licensed physician or osteopath in other state or U.S. territory if the order is related to treatment of a student who has been enrolled at the school for not more than 90 days.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Children with special medical needs
- Barriers for schools to accept out-of-state medical orders
- Delays in access to local specialists

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current law states that written medical orders need to be submitted by an in-state physician within 90 days. For individuals that have moved into the state, that is generally not enough time to establish care, as wait times for a new patient can surpass the 90-day deadline. House Bill 3149 establishes that a registered nurse at a public or private school may accept doctor's orders from an out-of-state physician and that the registered nurse can treat a patient enrolled at a school that has not been enrolled at that school for longer than 90 days.