

HB 2518 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 04/17/17

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 9-0-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Alonso Leon, Buehler, Greenlick, Hack, Hayden, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Malstrom, Nosse

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires prescription drug dispensers to report patient phone number and method of payment to the prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP). Requires pharmacies to report certain other identifying information to PDMP upon dispensing prescribed controlled substance classified in Schedule II through IV. Requires all prescribers enroll in the PDMP. Allows medical and pharmacy directors access to PDMP data. Establishes the Prescription Monitoring Program Prescribing Practices Review Subcommittee. Outlines the role and duties of the subcommittee.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Importance of Senate Bill 355 (2009), Oregon's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)
- Review of PDMP data and how authorized users use the PDMP
- How PDMP improves patient safety and prescribing practices
- Provisions of the measure
- Improvements to the PDMP
- Proposed amendments

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

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BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) is a tool to assist health care providers and pharmacists in providing patients better care in managing their prescriptions. It contains information provided by Oregon-licensed retail pharmacies. Pharmacies submit prescription data to the PDMP system for all Schedules II, III and IV controlled substances dispensed to Oregon residents. The protected health information is collected and stored securely. Oregon-licensed health care providers and pharmacists and their staff may be authorized for an account to access information from the PDMP system. Bordering state-licensed health care providers may also be authorized for access accounts. By law, their access is limited to patients under their care. The PDMP was started to support the appropriate use of prescription drugs.