SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 69: Board of Pharmacy Investigation Position and Reclassification

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Education Subcommittee

Carrier: Senator Frederick

The Education Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means recommend including an increase of \$138,752 in Other Funds expenditure limitation, authorizing the establishment of one permanent full-time position, and reclassifying a position, for the Board of Pharmacy in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2024 legislative session to address an increasing number of complaints and investigations.

The Board of Pharmacy has experienced a substantial increase in investigations over the past few years. To help administer its investigation workload, the Board has requested one Administrative Specialist 1 position. The request also includes the reclassification of an Office Specialist 2 position to an Executive Support Specialist 2. This adjustment will enable the position to support the agency's Executive Director and other administrative functions.

The Education Subcommittee recommends approval.