

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Requires the Oregon Health Authority to survey retail pharmacy providers every three years to determine the costs of dispensing prescription drugs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon Health Authority

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

SB 608-A replaces the introduced measure. The measure requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to survey retail pharmacy providers every three years to determine the costs of dispensing prescription drugs. After reviewing the results of the survey, OHA is required to request an amendment from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to change the dispensing fee reimbursement amount. The first survey will commence on or before January 1, 2024. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

The fiscal impact of implementing the measure is minimal for the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Board of Pharmacy and Oregon Health Authority. However, changes to the dispensing fee could have a greater fiscal impact to the Oregon Health Authority, the extent of which is unknown until after the survey is completed.