



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1800

PRINTERS NO. 3224

PRIME SPONSOR: Nelson

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2017/18	FY 2018/19
General Fund	\$0	\$0

#### SUMMARY:

House Bill 1800 amends Title 40 (Insurance) concerning medication synchronization. It would take effect in 365 days.

#### ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1800 amends Title 40 by adding a new chapter concerning medication synchronization. It permits pharmacies to synchronize monthly medication fill dates for a patient so all their prescriptions are filled on the same day of the month. It also prohibits insurance plans from denying coverage for a partial fill of a prescription if it is done for the purpose of medication synchronization. Medication synchronization is defined as the coordination of prescription drug filling or refilling by a pharmacy or dispensing physician for a program participant taking two or more maintenance medications for the purpose of improving medication adherence.

In addition, HB 1800 requires that pharmacies will receive a full dispensing fee from the medication synchronization transaction and proration of patient copays.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*