



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
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FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 1041 PRINTER'S NO: 1778 PRIME SPONSOR: Kula

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2008/09	FY 2009/10
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 1041 amends the Pharmacy Act (Act 699 of 1961) by authorizing pharmacists to perform drug therapy management in non-institutional settings by entering into a collaborative agreement with a patient's physician. This legislation also allows pharmacists to be employed by physicians for the purposes of drug therapy management.

When entering into a collaborative agreement with a physician to practice drug therapy management, a pharmacist must provide to the State Board of Pharmacy (Board) satisfactory evidence of training, file a copy of the collaborative agreement with the Board, ensure the confidentiality of patient information, and maintain liability coverage of at least \$1 million per occurrence or claims made.

The Board shall promulgate regulations to implement the provisions for drug therapy management within 18 months of the effective date of the act, which takes effect in 60 days. The addition of the section of House Bill 1041 that provides for collaborative agreements between pharmacists and physicians for drug therapy management takes effect on the earlier of the promulgation of regulations by the Board or 24 months following the enactment of House Bill 1041.

ANALYSIS:

According to the Department of State (Department), there will be no adverse fiscal impact to the Commonwealth if House Bill 1041 is enacted. The Board's revenue account is fiscally self-reliant will fund any costs related to implementing the provisions of this legislation.

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