

# Department of Finance and Administration

## Legislative Impact Statement

**Bill: HB1185**

**Bill Subtitle: TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF PRESCRIPTION UNDER THE PHARMACY ACT.**

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**Basic Change :**

Representative Wright

Allows a pharmacist to shift the prescribed medication from one drug to another in the class without physician approval as long as it is less expensive and within the same therapeutic class.

**Revenue Impact :**

Small to no financial impact on plan. This type of shift occurs now but with prior knowledge by the physician.

**Taxpayer Impact :**

None

**Resources Required :**

None

**Time Required :**

None

**Procedural Changes :**

None --- our pharmacy claims system would simply see the new medication as the submitted claim and process or deny accordingly based on formulary and pricing structure.

**Other Comments :**

None

**Legal Analysis :**

None