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Bill Number: H. 3844 Introduced on February 5, 2019
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Subject: Pharmacy Access Act
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): A. Martin
Impact Date: February 19, 2019

Fiscal Impact Summary

The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR).

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill allows licensed pharmacists to dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptives and to administer injectable hormonal contraceptives with or without a standing prescription order from a provider. This bill requires the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy to issue a joint protocol authorizing a pharmacist to provide these services without a patient-specific written order from a provider. The bill provides requirements as to what the protocol must address and specifies that the protocol must be issued within six months after the passage of this act. In addition, this bill requires the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy to establish an algorithm to be used by pharmacists during their patient assessment.

This bill requires LLR, in collaboration with the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy, to approve a patient self-screening risk assessment to be used by pharmacists and interns who dispense a contraceptive pursuant to this chapter. In addition, this bill requires LLR to establish a fee schedule for these services when provided by pharmacists.

The Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy are both administered by LLR. The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from LLR.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director