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Bill Number:

H. 3488

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Requestor:

House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs

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Subject:

Prescriptions for topical ophthalmic products

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Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	N/A
Other and Federal	minimal	N/A
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	N/A	N/A
Other and Federal	N/A	N/A
Local Expenditure	N/A	N/A
Local Revenue	N/A	N/A

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill is expected to have minimal or no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

State Expenditure

House Bill 3488 amends Chapter 53, Title 44 relating to prescription medications. The bill authorizes pharmacists and other practitioners to refill prescriptions for topical ophthalmic products at seventy percent of the predicted days of use in order to take into consideration inadvertent wastage.

The Department of Health & Environmental Control and the Department of Insurance both report that this bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Public Employee Benefit Authority. The impact to the State Health Plan would be minimal. The plan would pay for refills that may otherwise not get filled, but the plan could realize some savings from the member not having to incur the expense of an office visit to get a refill prescription.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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