

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

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**SHORT TITLE:** TELEPHARMACY REMOTE PHARMACY OUTLET

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary*</b>	<b>FY 2014-2015</b>	<b>FY 2015-2016</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>	Minimal workload increase.	
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.		

*\* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.*

**Summary of Legislation**

Telepharmacy outlets deliver pharmaceutical care to patients who communicate remotely with outlets. The bill expands the definition of "other outlets" licensed to engage in pharmacy practice to include telepharmacy outlets. A telepharmacy outlet must be located more than 20 miles from the nearest prescription drug outlet and from any other telepharmacy that may prescribe medication under the bill. A licensed pharmacist must be physically on site to assist any unlicensed personnel unless the unlicensed personnel are pharmacy technicians. If the licensed pharmacist is not physically present, the licensed pharmacist must be connected and available by computer link, video link, audiolink, or via comparable telecommunications equipment.

**State Expenditures**

The State Board of Pharmacy, within the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) promulgates rules and monitors "other outlets" with prescriptive authority. The DORA will be required to make changes to existing rules to reflect the new definition of "other outlets" and update applications and other materials. The DORA will update existing applications and rules within the normal course of business and the bill does not require new appropriations.

**Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on May 9, 2014.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Regulatory Agencies