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**SB16-062**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 16-0671 **Date:** February 5, 2016  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Sen. Marble **Bill Status:** Senate Agriculture  
 Rep. Becker J.; Humphrey **Fiscal Analyst:** Erin Reynolds (303-866-4146)

**BILL TOPIC:** VETERINARY PHARMACEUTICALS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018
<b>State Revenue</b> General Fund	Potential minimal reduction.	
<b>State Expenditures</b>	Minimal workload increase.	
<b>TABOR Impact</b>	Potential minimal reduction.	
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.		
<b>Future Year Impacts:</b> None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill requires the Governor to appoint at least two members to the State Board of Pharmacy (board) who are engaged in the practice of, or otherwise professionally interested in, veterinary medicine or animal agriculture. The bill prohibits the board from regulating the sale of veterinary devices. It also creates a reduced civil penalty of \$50 to \$500 for a single violation, and a maximum of \$5,000 for multiple violations, for persons who unlawfully distribute a veterinary drug.

**State Revenue**

Because the bill reduces the penalty amount that can be assessed on persons who unlawfully distribute a veterinary drug, it may reduce state fine revenue to the General Fund by a minimal amount. The board does not separately track individuals that dispense veterinary drugs, but it does have some disciplinary data related to fines on pharmacies that compound veterinary drugs. In the past 12 years, there have been five fines on these pharmacies, ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000, not including a fine related to a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program violation. Revenue from these fines is credited to the General Fund.

**TABOR Impact**

To the extent that state fine revenue is reduced under the bill, it will reduce the amount of money required to be refunded under TABOR. TABOR refunds are paid out of the General Fund.

**State Expenditures**

The bill will minimally increase workload in the Department of Regulatory Agencies in FY 2016-17. DORA will be required to do outreach and education related to the changes in policies and penalties under the bill. This workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

**Effective Date**

The bill takes effect July 1, 2016.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Governor's Office

Judicial

Law

Regulatory Agencies

**Research Note Available**

An LCS Research Note for SB 16-062 is available online and through the iLegislate app. Research notes provide additional policy and background information about the bill and summarize action taken by the General Assembly concerning the bill.