

## SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 59

2017 Regular Session

Mills

**KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

HEALTH CARE. Provides relative to prescription drug price information.  
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**SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL**

1. Removes requirements that a pharmaceutical marketer disclose average wholesale pricing information to a prescriber.
2. Adds provision for the disclosure of prescription drug price information via the La. Board of Pharmacy's website.
3. Adds requirement that implementation of proposed law is dependent on the receipt of grant funds from a private entity for the development, operation, and maintenance of the board's website.
4. Deletes reference to the "average wholesale price" and defines "wholesale acquisition cost".

**DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

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Proposed law requires the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy to develop a website to contain prescription drug information to be made available to prescribers on the board's website with a dedicated link that is prominently displayed on the board's home page, or by a separate easily identifiable Internet address.

Proposed law requires that the website include certain data elements separated by therapeutic category.

Proposed law provides that when a pharmaceutical marketer engages in any form of prescription drug marketing in the state directly to a prescriber, his designee, or any member of his staff, the marketer may disclose the website Internet address and inform the prescriber that he may access the website to obtain information on the cost of prescription drugs.

Proposed law provides the board with the authority to enter into a contract for the administration of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that each health profession licensing board that regulates individuals with prescriptive authority in the state must advise their licensees at least once annually of the opportunity to access this website.

Proposed law defines "pharmaceutical marketer", "prescription drug", "prescription drug marketing", and "prescriber".

Proposed law defines "wholesale acquisition cost", with respect to a pharmaceutical drug or biological product, as the manufacturer's list price for the pharmaceutical drug or biological product to wholesalers or direct purchasers in the United States for the most recent month for which the information is available, as reported in wholesale price guides or other publications of pharmaceutical drug or biological product pricing data, not including prompt pay or other discounts, rebates, or reductions in price.

Proposed law provides that the implementation of proposed law is contingent upon the board obtaining grant funds from a private entity for the development, implementation, operation, and continued maintenance of the drug pricing disclosure website.

Effective upon signature of the governor or upon lapse of gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 37:1251)

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