



**SB 1992 - HB 2139**

March 10, 2014

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Authorizes collaborative pharmacy practice agreements (CPPAs) and sets out the legal parameters for CPPAs involving pharmacists and health care practitioners with prescriptive authority.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013630):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes collaborative pharmacy practice agreements (CPPAs) and sets out the legal parameters for CPPAs involving pharmacists and health care practitioners with prescriptive authority. Prohibits a retail pharmacy from employing an individual with prescribing authority for the purpose of maintaining, establishing or entering into a collaborative practice agreement with a patient. Specifies that nothing shall prevent a pharmacy or pharmacist or group of pharmacists from employing or entering into a professional contract with a physician or licensed medical practitioner for the purpose of conducting quality assurance reviews of its pharmacists that are engaged in the practice of collaborative drug therapy.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- CPPAs enable pharmacists to team up with other health professionals to allow for collaborative drug therapy management activities.
- Although Tennessee does not currently authorize CPPAs in statute, this state permits physician-pharmacist relationships.
- According to the Department of Health, this legislation will have no significant impact on the Department or the Board of Pharmacy.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related board are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Pharmacy had closing balances of \$85,209 in FY11-12, \$296,813 in FY12-13, and a closing reserve balance of \$1,226,220 on June 30, 2013.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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