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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7393

BILL NUMBER: SB 590

NOTE PREPARED: May 5, 2005

BILL AMENDED: Apr 29, 2005

SUBJECT: Electronic Drug Prescriptions.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Riegsecker

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Budak

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the: (1) electronic transmission of prescriptions and instructions related to the prescriptions; and (2) transmission of prescriptions by facsimiles for Schedule III, IV, and V controlled substances by facsimile. The bill provides that a prescription may be transmitted electronically only through the use of an electronic data intermediary. It requires the Board of Pharmacy to: (1) adopt rules concerning security of electronically transmitted prescription information; and (2) establish a process for approving electronic data intermediaries.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Electronic Drug Prescriptions:* The bill requires the Board of Pharmacy to promulgate rules in consultation with the Medical Licensing Board regarding the implementation of the electronic prescribing requirements. The Board should be able to accomplish the promulgation and adoption of rules within the level of resources currently available.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Health Professions Bureau, Board of Pharmacy.

Local Agencies Affected:

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