

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Addendum to Fiscal Note for H.B. 124

Fiscal Effect of AM0598 In House Health and Aging May 6, 2015

Description: The amendment clarifies that pharmacists must list known contraindications.

The amendment makes a cross-reference modification specifying the Ohio Revised Code sections defining physician's assistants' scope of practice. The intent of the modification is to clarify scopes of practice and make bill construction consistent.

Under the bill, certain health care providers are allowed to issue a prescription to the sexual partners of patients with chlamydia, gonorrhea, or trichomoniasis. The amendment modifies this provision to allow health care providers to prescribe or personally furnish a drug for use by a patient's sexual partners.

Fiscal effect: Local health departments sometimes dispense drugs at the time of diagnosis. If they choose to dispense drugs for a patient's sexual partners as well as the patient, they may experience a minimal increase in drug costs.

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