

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 07-0033/3	Introduction Number AB-0318	Estimate Type Original
Description Prescriptions for antibiotic drugs for treatment of chlamydial infections, gonorrhea, or trichomoniasis and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill allows physicians and others to prescribe an antibiotic drug as a course of therapy for the treatment of a sexually transmitted disease (STD) to a patient. This drug is intended to be used by a person with whom the patient has had sexual intercourse, provided the person is not allergic to the drug. The prescription is required to include the name and address of the patient but not the name and address of the person who is to use the drug.

This bill requires the Department to submit rules specifying information that professional staff who prescribe the antibiotic drug course of therapy may provide to their patients, in writing, when they give them the prescription. Patients may be requested to give this information to the person with whom they have had sexual intercourse. The Department can fulfill this requirement within existing resources. There will be no fiscal effect on the Department as a result of this bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications