

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24894

The bill amends the definition of the practice of pharmacy to increase patient access to tobacco cessation products in certain scenarios, and to provide that a pharmacist who prescribes tobacco cessation products must obtain advanced training on tobacco cessation, screen patients for appropriateness and refer as necessary, document the services provided, develop a follow-up care plan, and notify the patient's primary care provider of medications initiated.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no fiscal impact to the General Fund or the Board of Pharmacy's dedicated fund. It has no fiscal impact because although this legislation allows pharmacists to perform the authorized service, it does not require any pharmacist to do so, nor does it compel any specific Board of Pharmacy action.

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