

Bill No. CS for SB 2750

Amendment No. ____ Barcode 101802

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11	Senator Aronberg moved the following amendment:		
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)		
14	On page 86, line 31,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 62. Section 409.9066, Florida Statutes, is		
18	amended to read:		
19	409.9066 Medicare prescription discount program.--		
20	(1) As a condition of participation in the Florida		
21	Medicaid program or the pharmaceutical expense assistance		
22	program, a pharmacy must agree to charge any individual who is		
23	a Medicare beneficiary and who is a Florida resident showing a		
24	Medicare card when he or she presents a prescription, a price		
25	no greater than the cost of ingredients equal to the average		
26	wholesale price minus 9 percent, and a dispensing fee of		
27	\$4.50.		
28	(2) In lieu of the provisions of subsection (1), and		
29	as a condition of participation in the Florida Medicaid		
30	program or the pharmaceutical expense assistance program, a		
31	pharmacy must agree to:		

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1 (a) Provide a private voluntary prescription discount
2 program to state residents who are Medicare beneficiaries; or

3 (b) Accept a private voluntary discount prescription
4 program from state residents who are Medicare beneficiaries.

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6 Discounts under this subsection must be at least as great as
7 discounts under subsection (1).

8 (3) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall
9 publish, on a free website available to the public, the most
10 recent average wholesale prices for the 200 drugs most
11 frequently dispensed to the elderly and, to the extent
12 possible, shall provide a mechanism that consumers may use to
13 calculate the retail price that should be paid after the
14 discount required in subsection (1) is applied.

15 Section 63. By January 1, 2004, the Agency for Health
16 Care Administration shall submit to the Legislature a report
17 regarding the cost-effectiveness of, and alternatives to,
18 using average wholesale price in the pricing of pharmaceutical
19 products purchased by the Medicaid program.

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21 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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24 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 On page 8, line 30, after the semicolon,
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28 insert:

29 amending s. 409.9066, F.S.; requiring the
30 Agency for Health Care Administration to
31 publish on a website the average wholesale

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1 prices of drugs provided through the program;
2 requiring the agency to publish additional
3 information to assist consumers; requiring a
4 report on methods of pricing pharmaceutical
5 products purchased by the program;

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