

State Impact

This bill requires the Department of Health to implement a Prescription Drug Assistance Program to assist people in obtaining prescription drugs at a reduced price or no cost. The costs to implement and operate this program is estimated at \$65,000 annually.

	<u>FY 04 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 05 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 04 Revenue</u>	<u>FY 05 Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	<u><u>\$65,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$65,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

Individual and Business Impact

Some pharmaceutical manufacturers participate in drug assistance programs that provide certain drugs to qualified consumers. Individuals, mainly those with limited incomes but not on Medicaid, would be able to reduce their costs for their prescription drugs.
