

Legislative Analysis



ALLOW PATIENTS TO TAKE UNUSED PORTIONS OF CERTAIN EYE DROPS OR OINTMENTS

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House Bill 5616 as introduced
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5616 would amend the Public Health Code to require that the unused portion of eye drops or eye ointment provided by a facility (either a hospital or a freestanding surgical outpatient facility) for an ophthalmic surgical procedure or ophthalmic medical care must be offered to the patient upon their discharge if all of the following apply:

- The facility orders the eye drops or eye ointment for a procedure or care the patient receives on an in-patient basis.
- The eye drops or eye ointment is administered to the patient at the facility.
- The unused portion of the eye drops or eye ointment is required for the patient's continued treatment.

A pharmacist who dispenses eye drops or eye ointment offered to a patient as described above would have to ensure that the eye drops or eye ointment is provided in a container labeled as required for a drug dispensed by a dispensing prescriber.

If the eye drops or eye ointment is used in an operating room or emergency department of a facility, the prescriber would have to counsel the patient on the directions for the patient's use of the eye drops or eye ointment. Any counseling requirement on the pharmacist who dispensed the eye drops or eye ointment would be waived.

Proposed MCL 333.17773, 333.20817, and 333.21537

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5616 would not have a fiscal impact on any units of state or local government.

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