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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to prescription drugs; defining  
8 terms; requiring certain report be compiled by the  
9 Insurance Department by certain date; requiring  
10 certain reports be submitted by certain drug  
11 manufacturer by certain date; requiring certain  
12 report be submitted by certain pharmacy benefits  
13 manager; directing Department to publish certain  
14 information on certain website; establishing data  
15 requirements for publishing and physical component;  
16 directing Department to promulgate rules; providing  
17 for codification; and providing an effective date.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

19 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6970 of Title 36, unless there  
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 A. As used in this section:

23 1. "Manufacturer" means any person or entity that holds the  
24 national drug code for a prescription drug and is engaged in the  
25 production, preparation, propagation, compounding, conversion, or  
26 processing of drug products for treating diabetes in this state;

1           2. "Pharmacy" means a pharmacy as defined pursuant to Section  
2 353.1 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

3           3. "Pharmacy benefits manager" means a pharmacy benefits  
4 manager as defined pursuant to Section 6960 of Title 36 of the  
5 Oklahoma Statutes.

6           B. On or before February 1 of each calendar year, the Insurance  
7 Department shall compile:

8           1. A list of prescription drugs that the Department determines  
9 to be essential for treating diabetes in this state and the  
10 wholesale acquisition cost of each drug on the list. The list shall  
11 include, but not be limited to, all forms of insulin and biguanides  
12 marketed for sale in this state; and

13           2. A list of prescription drugs described in paragraph 1 of  
14 this subsection that have been subject to an increase in the  
15 wholesale acquisition cost of a percentage equal to or greater than:

16           a. the percentage increase in the medical care index of  
17 the Consumer Price Index, during the immediately  
18 preceding year, or

19           b. twice the percentage increase in the medical care  
20 index of the Consumer Price Index, during the  
21 immediately preceding two calendar years.

22           C. On or before April 1 of each calendar year, the manufacturer  
23 of a prescription drug that appears on the most current list  
24 compiled by the Department pursuant to subsection A of this section

1 shall prepare and submit to the Department, in a form to be  
2 prescribed by the Department, a report that shall include:

3 1. The cost of the drug to the consumer;

4 2. The total administrative expenditures relating to the drug  
5 including marketing and advertising costs;

6 3. The profit that the manufacturer has earned from the drug  
7 and the percentage of the total profit of the manufacturer for the  
8 period during which the manufacturer has marketed the drug for sale  
9 that is attributable to the drug;

10 4. The total amount of financial assistance that the  
11 manufacturer has provided through any patient prescription  
12 assistance program;

13 5. The cost associated with coupons provided directly to  
14 consumers and for programs to assist consumers in paying copayments,  
15 and the cost to the manufacturer attributable to the redemption of  
16 those coupons and the use of those programs;

17 6. The wholesale acquisition cost of the drug;

18 7. A history of any increases in the wholesale acquisition cost  
19 of the drug over the five (5) years immediately preceding the date  
20 on which the report is submitted, including the amount of each  
21 increase expressed as a percentage of the total wholesale  
22 acquisition cost of the drug, the month and year in which each  
23 increase became effective, and any explanation for the increase;

1           8. The aggregate amount of all rebates that the manufacturer  
2 has provided to pharmacy benefits managers for sales of the drug  
3 within this state; and

4           9. Any additional information deemed necessary by the  
5 Department for the purpose of analyzing the cost of prescription  
6 drugs that appear on the list compiled pursuant to subsection B of  
7 this section.

8           D. On or before April 1 of a year in which a drug is included  
9 on the list compiled pursuant to subsection B of this section, the  
10 manufacturer of the drug shall submit to the Department a report  
11 describing the reasons for the increase in the wholesale acquisition  
12 cost of the drug described in that subsection. The report shall  
13 include, but not be limited to:

14           1. A list of each factor that has contributed to the increase;

15           2. The percentage of the total increase that is attributable to  
16 each factor;

17           3. An explanation of the role of each factor in the increase;

18 and

19           4. Any other information prescribed by rule of the Department.

20           E. Except as provided in this section, a pharmacy benefits  
21 manager shall submit to the Department a report that shall include:

22           1. The total amount of all rebates that the pharmacy benefits  
23 manager negotiated with the manufacturers during the immediately  
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1 preceding calendar year for prescription drugs included on the list  
2 compiled by the Department pursuant to subsection B of this section;

3 2. The total amount of all rebates described in paragraph 1 of  
4 this subsection that were retained by the pharmacy benefits manger;

5 3. The total amount of all rebates described in paragraph 1 of  
6 this subsection that the pharmacy benefits manager negotiated for  
7 purchases of drugs for use by:

8 a. recipients of Medicare,

9 b. recipients of Medicaid,

10 c. persons covered by third parties that are governmental  
11 entities not described in subparagraphs a and b of  
12 this paragraph,

13 d. persons covered by third parties that are not  
14 governmental entities, and

15 e. persons covered by a plan described in paragraph 4 of  
16 this subsection to the extent required by a contract  
17 entered into pursuant to paragraph 5 of this  
18 subsection;

19 4. Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph c of paragraph  
20 3 of this subsection, the requirements of this section do not apply  
21 to the coverage of prescription drugs under a plan that is subject  
22 to the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 as  
23 amended or any information relating to that coverage; and  
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1           5. A plan described in paragraph 4 of this subsection may, by  
2 contract, require a pharmacy benefits manager that manages the  
3 coverage of prescription drugs under the plan to comply with the  
4 requirements of this section.

5           F. The Department shall analyze the information submitted  
6 pursuant to subsections C, D, and E of this section and publish a  
7 report on the website created under subsection G of this section on  
8 the price of the prescription drugs that appear on the most current  
9 lists compiled by the Department pursuant to subsection B of this  
10 section, the reasons for any increases in those prices, and the  
11 effect of those prices on overall spending on prescription drugs in  
12 this state. The report may include, but not be limited to,  
13 opportunities for persons and entities in this state to lower the  
14 cost of drugs for the treatment of diabetes while maintaining access  
15 to the drugs.

16           G. 1. The Department shall create and maintain a website, to  
17 be updated no less frequently than once each calendar quarter, and  
18 shall place or cause to be placed:

- 19           a. the list of prescription drugs compiled by the  
20           Department pursuant to subsection B of this section,
- 21           b. the wholesale acquisition cost of each prescription  
22           drug reported pursuant to subsection C of this  
23           section, and

1 c. the reports compiled by the Department pursuant to  
2 subsection F of this subsection.

3 2. The Department shall ensure that the information placed on  
4 the website is organized so that each individual manufacturer has  
5 its own separate entry on the website.

6 3. The Department may establish additional or alternative  
7 procedures by which a consumer who is unable to access the Internet  
8 or is otherwise unable to receive the information described in this  
9 section may access this data. This shall include, but not be  
10 limited to, maintaining copies of the data reported pursuant to this  
11 section maintained by the Department.

12 H. The Department shall promulgate rules to effectuate the  
13 provisions of this section.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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