

HOUSE BILL No. 1345

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Prescription drug pricing study. Urges the legislative council to assign to the interim study committee on public health, behavioral health, and human services the task of studying issues related to prescription drug price transparency by drug manufacturers in Indiana.

Effective: Upon passage.

Shackleford

January 16, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



Second Regular Session of the 120th General Assembly (2018)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **The legislative**
2 **council is urged to assign to the interim study committee on public**
3 **health, behavioral health, and human services the task of studying**
4 **prescription drug price transparency by drug manufacturers,**
5 **including the following:**
6 (1) **The effect that significant price increases on established**
7 **drugs and the high cost of new drugs have on the delivery of**
8 **health services in Indiana, including the ability of consumers**
9 **to access and afford prescription drug treatments.**
10 (2) **The effect that increased prescription drug prices have on**
11 **state agencies administering state programs, including**
12 **Medicaid, the children's health insurance program, and the**
13 **healthy Indiana plan.**
14 (3) **The effect that substantial price increases on established**
15 **drugs and expensive new medicines have on the cost to the**
16 **state and local governments to provide effective prescription**
17 **drug treatments to government employees, senior citizens,**
18 **inmates, individuals with a disability, and others in need of**



1 **assistance.**
2 **(4) The best means to provide transparency to prescription**
3 **drug price increases to allow the state and local governments,**
4 **benefit managers, and consumers to manage budgets and**
5 **reduced costs for effective prescription drug treatments.**
6 **(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2019.**
7 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

