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Senate Bill 195 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Joe Hune
Committee: Health Policy

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 177 (Pharmacy Practice and Drug Control) of the Public Health Code to eliminate a requirement that an applicant for a pharmacy, manufacturer, or wholesale distributor license provide his or her fingerprints for a criminal history check.

The Code requires a pharmacy, manufacturer, or wholesale distributor, regardless of location, to be licensed under Part 177 in order to do business in Michigan. A person that provides compounding services must be licensed as a pharmacy or manufacturer and, if a pharmacy, also must be authorized to provide compounding services under the Code, in order to do business in Michigan. An outsourcing facility also must be licensed as a pharmacy in order to do business in this State.

An applicant for a new pharmacy, manufacturer, or wholesale distributor license who is not a health professional licensed or otherwise authorized to engage in a health profession, or who is a health professional but was licensed or otherwise authorized to engage in his or her profession before October 1, 2008, must submit fingerprints to the Michigan Department of State Police for the purpose of a criminal history check. The bill would delete this requirement.

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Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a neutral fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) and no fiscal impact on local units of government. Fingerprinting and background checks are performed through the Department of State Police and the cost of those services is passed on to the applicant. Since the services are essentially cost-neutral to both LARA and the State Police, removing this requirement would have no appreciable fiscal impact on either Department.

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