

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 95 (Chairman, Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee)
(Departmental - Health and Mental Hygiene)
Economic and Environmental Affairs

**Nurse Practice Act - Dispensing of Drugs or Devices by
Health Department Nurses**

This departmental bill authorizes nurses employed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or by local health departments to personally prepare and dispense drugs or devices at a State or local public health facility to patients registered with the State or local health department. The authorized nurse may dispense drugs that appear on an approved formulary and in accordance with practice guidelines established by an authorized prescriber.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This bill codifies existing practice.

Local Effect: None. This bill codifies existing practice.

Small Business Effect: The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has determined that this bill has minimal or no effect on small businesses (attached). Fiscal Services concurs with this assessment.

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