

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 1757</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>FA1-A4, Floor Substitute (7355)</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$0 State Cost</b>

**Bill Summary**

Research Analyst: Arnella Karges

Amendment #4 (Req. No. 7355) to Floor Amendment #1 for HB1757 is another new Floor Substitute (this time with the title stricken, as approved by the Rules Committee on March 5, according to the author's request, pursuant to House Rule 8.6(f)) that creates a new section of law regulating the coverage of prescription drugs in health benefit plans, so that drugs may be removed from health benefit plan formularies, the plans may move covered drugs to a higher co-payment tier, add use requirements, interchange drugs, or may implement mandatory generic substitutions during a plan year. The Floor Substitute provides an exception for immunosuppressant drugs, known as anti-rejection drugs, used in organ transplants. The Floor Substitute deletes the requirement of a notice to prescribers, pharmacies, and those covered by the plan.

The measure provides an exception if the FDA withdraws approval of a prescription drug.

**Fiscal Summary**

Fiscal Analyst: John McPhetridge

HB 1757, in its current form, creates a health insurance mandate regarding continued access to prescription drug benefits related to immunosuppressant drugs used in solid organ transplantation. The measure, in its current form, has no title

**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 1757, in its current form, has no direct fiscal impact on State Appropriations or Revenues. The Oklahoma State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board (OSEEGIB) is generally exempt from regulation under Title 36 unless specifically identified in statute. This measure does not specifically identify OSEEGIB; therefore OSEEGIB, will not be impacted. The measure also exempts, by reference, health benefit plans which participate or contract with the State's Medicaid agency.

**Long Term Fiscal Considerations**

HB 1757, in its current form, is applicable to the private insurance market. Some cost impact may result in the private market.

Fiscal Analysis Reviewed by:

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