## **BILL SUMMARY**

2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: SB 940 Version: Engrossed

**Request Number:** 

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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

## **Research Analysis**

SB 940 creates the Prescription Drug Safety and Cost Reduction Importation Pilot Program Act. The measure directs the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to submit an application with the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services for federal approval to import drugs from an FDA-approved country. The Authority is directed to identify the 20 most prescribed drugs in the Medicaid program with a large cost difference between average Canadian and U.S. prices, in order to increase savings. Eligible imported drugs do not include certain drug classifications, including controlled dangerous substances and marijuana.

The Authority is directed to create an application for pharmacies to participate in the program and establish a fee-per-unit not to exceed 3% of the cost of the drug. The Authority must reimburse participating pharmacies:

- For brand name drugs, the cost of the drug + 15% + \$15, and
- For generic drugs, the cost of the drug +30% + \$15.

Savings resulting from the program must be passed onto consumers. Pharmaceutical manufacturers are prohibited from manipulating drug prices, through rebates or price-fixing. Lastly, the Authority is directed to create an advisory council to make recommendations to the program. The Authority is directed to promulgate rules.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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