



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB5695

Introduced 2/16/2012, by Rep. Michael W. Tryon

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-5.12b new

Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that prescription over-the-counter medications that are prescribed to a recipient of medical assistance by a physician, a physician's assistant, a nurse practitioner, or any other medical care provider qualified to prescribe medications shall be covered under the State's medical assistance program. Provides that pharmacies providing prescribed over-the-counter medications shall be reimbursed at the same rate determined by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services for prescription medications covered under the State's medical assistance program. Requires the Department to establish guidelines and standards by administrative rule on the documentation, if any, a medical care provider must submit when prescribing an over-the-counter medication to a recipient of aid under the Code. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
5 adding Section 5-5.12b as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.12b new)

7 Sec. 5-5.12b. Over-the-counter medications. Prescription  
8 over-the-counter medications that are prescribed to a  
9 recipient of aid under this Article by a physician, a  
10 physician's assistant, a nurse practitioner, or any other  
11 medical care provider qualified to prescribe medications shall  
12 be covered under the State's medical assistance program under  
13 this Article. Pharmacies providing prescribed over-the-counter  
14 medications under this Article shall be reimbursed at the same  
15 rate determined by the Department for prescription medications  
16 covered under the State's medical assistance program. The  
17 Department shall establish guidelines and standards by  
18 administrative rule on the documentation, if any, a medical  
19 care provider must submit when prescribing an over-the-counter  
20 medication to a recipient of aid under this Code.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
22 becoming law.