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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, the Unfair Sales Act or "minimum markup law" prohibits loss leaders or wholesale and retail sales of merchandise at a price below the cost of the merchandise to the seller. This bill eliminates the prohibition on retailers and wholesalers selling prescription drugs for less than the cost of those items to the seller. The bill also eliminates the prohibition on retailers and wholesalers selling merchandise, other than motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages, liquor, or wine, or groceries, for less than the cost of the merchandise to the seller. The bill does not affect the prohibition on below-cost sales of motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages, liquor, or wine, or groceries. The bill also does not affect the minimum markup requirements for sales of motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages, liquor, or wine, or groceries. The bill also does not affect the minimum markup requirements for sales of motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages, liquor, or wine, or groceries. The bill also does not affect the minimum markup requirements for sales of motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages of motor vehicle fuel, tobacco products, fermented malt beverages.

DATCP is the agency primarily responsible for state enforcement of the Unfair Sales Act. Generally, DATCP conducts investigations of alleged Unfair Sales Act violations based on complaints. A relatively small percentage of the complaints that the agency receives relate to items of merchandise that would be excluded from the act under this bill. Therefore, DATCP believes this bill would not have any material fiscal effect on the agency.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown.