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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Assembly Bill 548 directs the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) in consultation with persons interested in the sale and pricing of prescription drugs and federal officials and agencies, to design and implement a prescription drug importation program for the benefit of and that generates savings for Wisconsin residents.

Assembly Bill 548 requires that the Commissioner of Insurance must:

- •Designate a state agency to become or contract with a licensed wholesale distributor and seek federal certification and approval to import prescription drugs:
- •The importation program must comply with certain federal regulations and import from Canadian suppliers only prescription drugs that are not brand-name drugs, have fewer than four competitor drugs in this country, and for which importation creates substantial savings;
- •The Commissioner of Insurance must ensure that prescription drugs imported under the program are not distributed, dispensed, or sold outside of Wisconsin; and
- •The importation program must have an audit procedure to ensure the program complies with certain requirements specified in the bill.

Before submitting the proposed implementation program to the federal government for certification, the Commissioner of Insurance must submit the proposed importation program to the Joint Committee on Finance for its approval.

At this time, OCI cannot determine the fiscal effect this legislation will have on staff time and agency resources.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.