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Bill Analysis

SB 4 authorizes pharmacists to substitute an interchangeable biological product for a prescribed biological product under certain conditions. The product must be approved by the U.S. Federal Drug Administration as an interchangeable product and the patient must be informed of the change. Pharmacists must make an entry into their records showing the name of the product and the manufacturer within 5 business days after dispensing the product. An entry into the electronic records system is presumed to provide notice to the prescriber. The measure directs the State Board of Pharmacy to maintain a link on its Internet website to the current list of all biological products determined by the FDA to be interchangeable with a specific biological product.

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