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Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to Senate Bill 232 adds "Minor, nonchronic health condition" to the defined terms in the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act. The measure expands the definition of the "practice of pharmacy" to include ordering, performing, and interpreting tests for minor, nonchronic health conditions and initiating drug therapy for minor, nonchronic health conditions. As well as the dispensing of self-administered hormonal contraceptives. The measure also requires licensed pharmacies to maintain a 4:1 ratio of technicians to pharmacists.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 232 expands the scope of pharmacy practice, allowing pharmacists to test or screen for and initiate drug therapy for minor, nonchronic health conditions and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptives. In addition, the measure requires a licensed pharmacy to maintain a technician-to-pharmacist ratio of no more than four (4) technicians per pharmacist. The State Board of Pharmacy is directed to establish rules for the dispensing of self-administered hormonal contraceptives.

The Board of Pharmacy is a non-appropriated state agency; therefore, the requirements of the measure are assumed to be objective within the agency's existing resources. As a result, SB 232 is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.