

**FISCAL NOTE**  
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *</b>				
	<b>FY 2007-08</b>		<b>FY 2008-09</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS	473,463		467,071	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	473,463		467,071	

\*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill creates the Mercury Vaccine and Drug Act. The bill would prohibit any vaccine or drug with more than a trace amount of mercury from being administered in the state on or after July 1, 2007. On or after July 1, 2009, any vaccine or drug with any mercury would be prohibited from being administered in the state unless the recipient or legal guardian has signed a consent form developed by the Department of Health and Human Services. Exemptions to the provisions of this bill are allowed if there is an actual or potential incident or public health emergency that would necessitate the administration of such vaccine or drug. Insurers would be required to reimburse for vaccines without mercury on the same fee schedule or percentage rate as vaccines with mercury. The department would be required to conduct random testing of vaccines and drugs in the state. The bill contains the emergency clause.

The development and distribution of the consent form would be minor and could be handled within existing departmental resources. Random testing and reporting would require the addition of an environmental analyst at a cost of \$58,963 in FY 2008 and \$54,571 in FY 2009. For purposes of this fiscal note, it is assumed vaccines and drugs for animal use are excluded. It is estimated that 12,500 test would be done annually. At a cost of \$33 per test, the total cost would be \$412,500. The immunization Information System would have to track this information. One-time costs to program the computer would be \$2,000.

Technical Note: Public health activities are located in the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure. The bill places the responsibility in the Department of Health and Human Services.