

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB 512

House of Origin      X     Introduced                 Substitute                 Engrossed

Second House                In Committee             Substitute                 Enrolled

**2. Patron:**        Rust

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:**         Lyme disease; allows a licensed physician to prescribe long-term antibiotic therapy

**5. Summary:** Allows a licensed physician to prescribe, administer, or dispense long-term antibiotic therapy to a patient diagnosed with Lyme disease. Also specifies that the Board of Medicine shall not initiate a disciplinary action against a licensed physician solely for prescribing, administering, or dispensing long-term antibiotic therapy to a patient clinically diagnosed with Lyme disease, provided such clinical diagnosis and treatment has been documented in the patient's medical record by such licensed physician.

**6. No Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:**  
Department of Health Professions

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None

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