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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING CONTINUING
EDUCATION FOR LICENSED PHARMACISTS AND ALLOWING THE BOARD OF
PHARMACISTS TO CHARGE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR LICENSE BENEWAL;
AMENDING SECTIONS 66-1502 AND 66-1507, R.C.M. 1947; AND
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(3) Members of the adviscry council shall serve
without compensation but shall be reimbursed for travel
expenses and mileage as provided in 59-538, 59-539, and
59-801.

Section 6. Effective date. This act is effective on
 July 1, 1979.

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. ________

FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request received <u>January 27</u>, 1977, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>House Bill 487</u> pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly. Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act requiring continuing education for pharmacists and allowing the Board to charge an additional fee for license renewal.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None - the effective date of the bill is July 1, 1979.

LONG-RANGE IMPACT:

This proposal creates a continuing education advisory council and provides reimbursement for travel expenses and mileage. This will be an increased cost to the Board after July 1, 1979.

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Approved by Committee on <u>Business and Industry</u>

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March 26, 1977

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Safety

That House Bill No. 487, third reading, be amended as follows:

1. Amend page 5, Section 3, line 7.
Following: "hours of"
Insert: "approved"

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5	education requirements as prescribed in [section 3(2)].
6	Section-5wThere-is-a-new-RwEwNw-section-that-reads-as
7	follows+
8	fontinuing-education-advisory-councils (1)Theboard
9	shallappointacontinuingaducationadvisorycouncil
10	consisting-of-no-less-than-6-ormorethan10membersto
11	studyanddevelopcontinuingeducationprogramsand
12	requirements-and-to-report-its-recommendations-to-the-board+
13	{2}Each-memberoftheadvisorycouncilshallbe
14	appointed-for-a-term-of-3-years.
15	{3}Membersoftheadvisorycouncilshallserve
16	without-compensation-butshallbereimbursedfortravel
17	expensesandmileageasprovidedin-59-538v-59-539v-and
18	59-801*
19	Section 5. Effective date. This act is effective on
20	July 1, 1979.

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