

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

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1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original    Updated    Corrected

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2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

Opt 5.02(4)

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3. Subject

Relating to lens prescription

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4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEG-S

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5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

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6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect    Increase Existing Revenues    Increase Costs  
 Indeterminate    Decrease Existing Revenues    Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Cost

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7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy    Specific Businesses/Sectors  
 Local Government Units    Public Utility Rate Payers  
 Small Businesses **(if checked, complete Attachment A)**

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8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes    No

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9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

The current definition for lens prescription states a "written order" which could be interpreted to not allow for an electronic signature. A contact lens prescription does not have the requirement of "written order" and requires a signature. Modification of the current definition for lens prescription would provide clarity and create a consistency between lens prescriptions and contact lens prescriptions.

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10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

This rule was posted for 14 days for economic impact comments and none were received.

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11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

None. This rule does not affect local governmental units.

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12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This rule will not have an economic or fiscal impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers, local governmental units or the state's economy as a whole.

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit to the proposed rule is bring the rules for lens prescriptions in line with contact lens prescriptions. Health care entities are increasingly utilizing electronic prescriptions and signatures as a way to improve patient safety, inefficiencies and control costs. With this change, thousands of patients will be able to enjoy the increased speed and accuracy of electronic prescriptions for eyeglasses.

The alternative is to continue to have different requirements for a lens prescription and a contact lens prescription.

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14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication is increased patient safety and efficiencies.

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15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None

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16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)  
Iowa allows electronic prescriptions. Illinois and Minnesota laws do not specify whether a prescription may be electronic. Michigan does not appear to have a definition of an optometrist prescription.

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