## SB 5880-S - DIGEST

## (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent of the legislature that the regulatory and inspection program authorized in this act shall include: (1) A technical assistance program to identify pharmacies that could benefit from technical assistance from the department with regard to billing for payment, and to provide that assistance; and

(2) A systematic method to gather data for program improvement.

Requires the department to develop a plan to incorporate into the provider payment system, by January 1, 2009, system capability to identify and report a pattern of technical deficiencies by pharmacies in making payment claims. Technical deficiencies identified by this system may be used to determine pharmacies to which technical assistance will be offered. The department must report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1, 2008, and September 1, 2008, on the progress made to implement this system requirement.