

Side by side comparison of S.216 as passed by House and Senate
An act relating to prescription drug formularies

HOUSE VERSION		SENATE VERSION	
<i>Section number</i>	<i>Description of provisions</i>	<i>Section number</i>	<i>Description of provisions</i>
Secs. 1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Findings on prescription drug costs • Directs Green Mountain Care Board and Department of Vermont Health Access to identify up to 15 prescription drugs per year on which the State spends a lot of money and for which price has increased substantially • The Attorney General would require the manufacturer to provide a justification for the price increase. The Attorney General would provide an annual report. 		No similar provision
Sec. 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DFR must adopt rules by January 1, 2017 to require insurers offering Exchange plans to provide information about the prescription drug formularies for the Exchange plans 	Sec. 1	Same
Sec. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires DVHA to report by March 15, 2017 on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ other states' Medicaid 340B drug reimbursements ○ using the same reimbursement for 340B drugs as DVHA uses for non-340B drugs ○ the benefits of 340B drug pricing 	Secs. 2-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires DVHA to use the same dispensing fee for 340B drugs as for non-340B drugs. • Directs DVHA to report by January 15, 2017 on other states' Medicaid 340B drug reimbursements
Sec. 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires DVHA to convene an advisory group to look at options for bronze plans for 2018 • Allows at least one bronze plan for 2018 to have an out-of-pocket prescription drug limit higher than the limit in statute • Requires that at least one standard bronze plan meet the statutory limit. 		No similar provision
	No similar provision	Sec. 4	Modifies prescription drug manufacturer gift ban to allow coffee, snacks, and other refreshments at a conference or seminar, regardless of whether they are offered at a booth
Sec. 6	Effective on passage	Sec. 5	Same