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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

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**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsors:** Sens. Wilkin and S. Huffman

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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The bill has no fiscal impact on the Veterinary Medical Licensing Board (DVM). It gives licensed veterinarians specific statutory authority to provide telehealth services which are already offered by many veterinary practices. The one major change is that the bill allows for a veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR) to be initiated through an examination in real time via a telehealth consultation. This is in contrast to current law, which requires an in-person examination of the veterinary patient for a VCPR to be established. The bill also allows licensed veterinarians to prescribe drugs or medication via telehealth consultation if certain conditions are met.