Senate Bill 792
Sponsored by Senator STEINER HAYWARD, Representative NOSSE

SUMMARY
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Requires manufacturer to disclose in any advertisement for prescription drug wholesale price for prescription drug in Oregon. Imposes civil penalty for violation of requirement.

A BILL FOR AN ACT
Relating to prescription drug advertising.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:
(a) “Advertise” means to communicate within this state by newspaper, radio, television or other print, broadcast or electronic medium information designed to create public interest in a prescription drug.
(b) “Drug” has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.
(c) “Manufacture” means the production, preparation, compounding, conversion or processing of a drug, either directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of natural origin or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis. “Manufacture” includes packaging or repackaging of the substances or labeling or relabeling of the container, but does not include the preparation or compounding of a drug by an individual for the individual’s own use or the preparation, compounding, packaging or labeling of a drug:
(A) By a health care practitioner incidental to administering or dispensing a drug in the course of professional practice; or
(B) By a health care practitioner or under the practitioner’s authorization and supervision for the purpose of or incidental to research, teaching or chemical analysis activities, not for sale.
(d) “Manufacturer” means a person that manufactures prescription drugs that are sold or distributed to Oregon residents.
(e) “Prescription drug” means a drug that must:
(A) Under federal law, be labeled “Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription” prior to being dispensed or delivered; or
(B) Under any applicable federal or state law or regulation, be dispensed only by prescription or restricted to use only by health care practitioners.
(2) A manufacturer that advertises a prescription drug shall clearly and conspicuously disclose in the advertisement the wholesale price for the prescription drug paid by pharmacies located in this state.

SECTION 2. (1) In addition to any other liability or penalty provided by law, the Attorney...
General may impose a civil penalty of up to $5,000 on a manufacturer, as defined in section 1 of this 2017 Act, for each publication or broadcast of an advertisement that fails to disclose the wholesale price of a prescription drug in accordance with section 1 of this 2017 Act.

(2) A civil penalty imposed under this section may be remitted or reduced upon such terms and conditions as the Attorney General considers proper and consistent with public health and safety.

(3) All penalties recovered under this section shall be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the General Fund and are available for general governmental expenses.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2017 Act applies to a prescription drug advertisement that is published or broadcast on or after the effective date of this 2017 Act.