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## ADDENDUM

To Fiscal Note on  
sSB-8, File No. 309

AN ACT CONCERNING DRUG AFFORDABILITY.

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The fiscal note on the underlying bill did not include the fiscal impact to the Department of Social Services (DSS) related to the Canadian prescription drug importation program.

**Section 2** may result in a savings to DSS associated with the Canadian prescription drug importation program. The bill requires the program to provide prescription drugs for Medicaid and HUSKY B that have the highest potential for cost savings. To the extent this is achieved, and such drugs are utilized in place of more costly drugs after accounting for rebates, DSS would experience a corresponding savings. The extent of any savings to Medicaid and HUSKY B cannot be determined at this time.

If implemented, DSS would incur administrative costs of at least \$150,000 annually associated with pharmacy consultant staff. Additional staff and/or contract support may be required depending on the scope of the program.