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## OLR Bill Analysis

### sSB 94

#### ***AN ACT ALLOWING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER THE INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN TWELVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER.***

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill allows licensed pharmacists to administer the flu vaccine, with parental or guardian consent, to minors aged 12 years or older. It applies to the flu vaccine approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Pharmacists may already administer to adults any vaccines on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's adult immunization schedule. Under the bill, as under existing law for adult vaccines, pharmacists must administer the flu vaccine to minors according to a licensed health care provider's order and Department of Consumer Protection regulations.

Under existing law, these regulations must require that pharmacists administering vaccines to adults complete an immunization training course. The bill extends this training requirement to pharmacists administering the flu vaccine to minors aged 12 years or older.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2019

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 17      Nay 7      (03/01/2019)