

PROPOSITION 79  
Prescription Drug Discounts.  
State-Negotiated Rebates.  
Initiative Statute.  
Proponent: Anthony E. Wright

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**BALLOT LABEL**

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNTS.  
STATE-NEGOTIATED REBATES.  
INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Provides drug discounts to Californians with qualifying incomes. Funded by state-negotiated drug manufacturer rebates. Prohibits Medi-Cal contracts with manufacturers not providing Medicaid best price. Fiscal Impact: State costs for administration and outreach in low tens of millions of dollars annually. State costs for advance funding for rebates. Unknown potentially significant: (1) net costs or savings for Medi-Cal and (2) savings for state and county health programs.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**