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HB 125 Explanation of Changes: Amendment to Version O

- 1. Page 1, line 8 "to treat a chronic condition" is moved to page 1, line 9 to refer to the specific eye medication to be refilled.
- 2. Page 2, line 5 changed "30-day" to "the approved dosage period" to provide consistency of early refill opportunities for a 30-day, 60-day or 90-day dosage period.
- 3. Two additional criteria were added to when a patient may request an early refill of prescription eye drops.
 - (a) While it is common practice, this statute requires a prescriber to indicate on the prescription how many refills will be needed. This will ensure early refills are not excessive.
 - (b) The prescription eye medication that is being refilled early must be a covered prescription under the covered person's insurance policy. This clarifies that the statute is not a new coverage mandate, but an adjustment within existing coverage between an insurer and the insured.

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