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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG**
102 **MONITORING PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,**
103 **REPEALING THE PRESCRIPTION CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ABUSE**
104 **MONITORING COMMITTEE.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Sections 1 and 2 of the bill continue the electronic prescription drug monitoring program until July 1, 2021. **Sections 3, 4, and 5** of the

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

bill repeal the prescription controlled substance abuse monitoring advisory committee. **Sections 6, 7, and 8** make conforming amendments.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** 24-34-104 (42) (i) and (52), Colorado Revised
3 Statutes, are amended to read:

4 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**
5 **and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment.**

6 (42) The following agencies, functions, or both, shall terminate on July
7 1, 2011:

8 (i) The electronic prescription drug monitoring program, created
9 in part 7 of article 22 of title 12, C.R.S.;

10 (52) The following agencies, functions, or both, shall terminate on
11 July 1, 2021:

12 (a) The workers' compensation classification appeals board,
13 created in article 55 of title 8, C.R.S.

14 (b) THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM
15 CREATED IN PART 7 OF ARTICLE 22 OF TITLE 12, C.R.S.

16 **SECTION 2.** 12-22-710, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
17 to read:

18 **12-22-710. Repeal of part.** This part 7 is repealed, effective July
19 1, 2011 JULY 1, 2021. Prior to such repeal, the functions under this part
20 7 and the committee shall be reviewed as provided in sections 2-3-1203
21 and SECTION 24-34-104, C.R.S.

22 **SECTION 3. Repeal.** 2-3-1203 (3) (x) (IV), Colorado Revised
23 Statutes, is repealed as follows:

24 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The
25 following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the

1 designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

2 (x) July 1, 2011:

3 (IV) The prescription controlled substance abuse monitoring
4 advisory committee created in section 12-22-703, C.R.S.:

5 **SECTION 4.** 12-22-701 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
6 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

7 **12-22-701. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
8 finds, determines, and declares that:

9 (d) ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF PRESCRIPTIONS FOR CONTROLLED
10 SUBSTANCES PROVIDES A MECHANISM FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS
11 AND REGULATORY BOARDS TO EFFICIENTLY INVESTIGATE PRESCRIBER
12 BEHAVIOR THAT IS POTENTIALLY HARMFUL TO THE PUBLIC.

13 **SECTION 5. Repeal.** 12-22-702 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes,
14 is repealed as follows:

15 **12-22-702. Definitions.** As used in this part 7, unless the context
16 otherwise requires:

17 (2) "Committee" means the prescription controlled substance
18 abuse monitoring advisory committee.

19 **SECTION 6. Repeal.** 12-22-703, Colorado Revised Statutes, is
20 repealed as follows:

21 **12-22-703. Advisory committee - duties - repeal.** (1) There is
22 hereby created within the division, the prescription controlled substance
23 abuse monitoring advisory committee. The committee shall consist of the
24 following eleven members:

25 (a) The director of the division or his or her designee;

26 (b) A pharmacist appointed by the board;

27 (c) Three physicians appointed by the Colorado medical board;

- 1 ~~one of which is a pain specialist or addiction specialist;~~
- 2 ~~(d) A dentist appointed by the state board of dental examiners;~~
- 3 ~~(e) A veterinarian appointed by the state board of veterinary~~
- 4 ~~medicine;~~
- 5 ~~(f) The director of the division of alcohol and drug abuse in the~~
- 6 ~~department of human services or his or her designee; and~~
- 7 ~~(g) Three persons appointed by the committee, one of which is a~~
- 8 ~~representative of law enforcement.~~
- 9 ~~(2) The committee shall advise and assist the board with the~~
- 10 ~~development, operation, and maintenance of the electronic prescription~~
- 11 ~~drug monitoring program; and with the development of access and~~
- 12 ~~security protocols for the program. The committee shall advise the board~~
- 13 ~~regarding mandatory information to be reported for inclusion in the~~
- 14 ~~program.~~
- 15 ~~(3) Committee members shall not receive compensation or~~
- 16 ~~reimbursement for expenses associated with service on the committee.~~
- 17 ~~(4) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2011. Prior to such~~
- 18 ~~repeal, the committee shall be reviewed as provided in section 2-3-1203,~~
- 19 ~~C.R.S.~~

20 SECTION 7. The introductory portion to 12-22-704 (1) and

21 12-22-704 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said

22 12-22-704 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW

23 SUBSECTION, to read:

24 12-22-704. Prescription drug use monitoring program.

25 (1) The board shall develop or procure a prescription controlled

26 substance electronic program to track prescriptions written for controlled

27 substances DISPENSED in Colorado. The program shall track information

1 regarding controlled substance prescriptions that includes, but is not
2 limited to, the following:

3 (1.5) EACH PRESCRIBER SHALL DISCLOSE TO A PATIENT RECEIVING
4 A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE THAT HIS OR HER IDENTIFYING PRESCRIPTION
5 INFORMATION WILL BE ENTERED INTO THE PROGRAM DATABASE AND MAY
6 BE ACCESSED FOR LIMITED PURPOSES BY SPECIFIED INDIVIDUALS.

7 (2) The board and the committee shall establish a method and
8 format for prescription drug outlets to convey the necessary information
9 to the board or its designee. The method shall not require more than a
10 one-time entry of data per patient per prescription by a prescription drug
11 outlet.

12 SECTION 8. 12-22-705 (1) and (2), the introductory portion to
13 12-22-705 (3), and 12-22-705 (3) (d) and (3) (e), Colorado Revised
14 Statutes, are amended, and the said 12-22-705 (3) is further amended BY
15 THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW PARAGRAPHS, to
16 read:

17 **12-22-705. Program operation - access - rules.** (1) The board
18 shall operate and maintain the program. ~~The committee shall advise and~~
19 ~~assist the board. The committee shall meet at least quarterly during the~~
20 ~~first two years of the program.~~

21 (2) The board shall adopt all rules necessary to implement the
22 program. ~~The committee shall advise the board regarding proposed rules.~~

23 (3) The program ~~shall be~~ IS available for query only to the
24 following persons or groups of persons:

25 (d) Licensed pharmacists with statutory authority to dispense
26 controlled substances to the extent the information requested relates
27 specifically to a current patient to whom the pharmacist is dispensing or

1 considering dispensing a controlled substance OR TO WHOM THE
2 PHARMACIST IS PROVIDING CLINICAL PATIENT CARE SERVICES;

3 (e) Law enforcement officials so long as the information released
4 is specific to an individual PATIENT OR PRESCRIBER and is part of a bona
5 fide investigation and the request for information is accompanied by an
6 official court order or subpoena; and

7 (g) STATE REGULATORY BOARDS WITHIN THE DIVISION AND THE
8 DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION SO LONG AS THE INFORMATION RELEASED IS
9 SPECIFIC TO AN INDIVIDUAL PRESCRIBER AND IS PART OF A BONA FIDE
10 INVESTIGATION AND THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION IS ACCOMPANIED BY
11 AN OFFICIAL COURT ORDER OR SUBPOENA; AND

12 (h) A RESIDENT PHYSICIAN WITH AN ACTIVE PHYSICIAN TRAINING
13 LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD PURSUANT TO
14 SECTION 12-36-122 AND UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED
15 PHYSICIAN.

16 SECTION 9. 12-22-706 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
17 amended to read:

18 **12-22-706. Prescription drug monitoring fund - creation -**
19 **gifts, grants, and donations - fee.** (5) If, based upon the appropriations
20 for the direct and indirect costs of the program, there are insufficient
21 funds to maintain the program, the ~~board~~ DIVISION may collect a AN
22 ANNUAL fee of no more than ~~seven dollars and fifty cents per year~~
23 TWELVE DOLLARS OR AN AMOUNT THAT REFLECTS THE ACTUAL COSTS OF
24 THE PROGRAM, WHICHEVER IS LESS, from an individual who holds a
25 license from the division that authorizes him or her to prescribe a
26 controlled substance as defined by section 18-18-102, C.R.S. The fee
27 shall be established pursuant to section 24-34-105, C.R.S., and shall be

1 collected in conjunction with the license renewal fees collected pursuant
2 to section 24-34-105, C.R.S. Moneys collected pursuant to this
3 subsection (5) shall be credited to the prescription drug monitoring fund
4 created in subsection (1) of this section.

5 **SECTION 10.** 12-22-707, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
6 to read:

7 **12-22-707. Violations - penalties.** A person who knowingly
8 releases, obtains, or attempts to obtain information from the program in
9 violation of this part 7 shall be punished by a civil fine of not less than
10 one thousand dollars and not more than ten thousand dollars for each
11 violation. Fines paid shall be deposited in the ~~prescription drug~~
12 monitoring GENERAL fund.

13 **SECTION 11.** 12-22-709 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read:

15 **12-22-709. Exemption - waiver.** (2) A prescription drug outlet
16 that does not report controlled substance data to the program due to a lack
17 of electronic automation of the outlet's business may apply to the board
18 for a waiver from the reporting requirements. ~~The committee shall~~
19 determine whether a waiver shall be granted.

20 **SECTION 12. Effective date - applicability.** This act shall take
21 effect July 1, 2011, and shall apply to conduct occurring on or after said
22 date.

23 **SECTION 13. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.