

Representative Neil A. Hansen proposes the following substitute bill:

TRANSFER OF PRESCRIPTIONS

2005 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Neil A. Hansen

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Pharmacy Practice Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ limits the number of times a prescription for a controlled substance may be transferred.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

58-17b-609, as enacted by Chapter 280, Laws of Utah 2004

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **58-17b-609** is amended to read:

58-17b-609. Limitation on prescriptions and refills -- Controlled Substances Act not affected -- Legend drugs -- Transfer of prescriptions.

(1) A prescription for any prescription drug may not be dispensed after one year from



26 the date it was initiated except as otherwise provided in Chapter 37, Utah Controlled
27 Substances Act.

28 (2) A prescription authorized to be refilled may not be refilled after one year from the
29 original issue date.

30 (3) A practitioner may not be prohibited from issuing a new prescription for the same
31 drug orally, in writing, or by electronic transmission.

32 (4) Nothing in this chapter affects Chapter 37, Utah Controlled Substances Act.

33 (5) Prescriptions for a legend drug written by a licensed prescribing practitioner in
34 another state may be filled or refilled by a pharmacist or pharmacy intern in this state, and the
35 pharmacist or pharmacy intern knows the prescribing practitioner holds a current license.

36 (6) Unless otherwise prohibited by federal law, a prescription for a controlled
37 substance may be transferred only once. If a pharmacy transfers a prescription to another
38 pharmacy, the prescription may not be subsequently transferred to a third pharmacy.