

Senator Patricia W. Jones proposes the following substitute bill:

1 EDUCATION FOR PRESCRIBING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

2 2011 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Patricia W. Jones**

5 House Sponsor: Bradley M. Daw

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7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill amends provisions of the Utah Controlled Substances Act.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

12 ▶ requires a prescriber applying for a new or renewed controlled substance license to
13 take four hours of controlled substance prescribing classes each licensing period;

14 ▶ requires the Division of Occupations and Professional Licensing, in consultation
15 with the Utah Medical Association and ~~§~~→ [other-medical] the applicable practitioner ←~~§~~
15a licensing boards, to establish

16 educational content of controlled substance prescribing classes to help establish safe
17 and effective practices for prescribing controlled substances, which may include
18 opioid narcotics, hypnotic depressants, and psychostimulants;

19 ▶ provides that any controlled substance prescribing class required under this bill does
20 not increase the total continuing professional education requirements for prescriber
21 licensing; and

22 ▶ allows the division to establish rules.

23 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

24 None

25 **Other Special Clauses:**



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26 None

27 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

28 ENACTS:

29 **58-37-6.5**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

32 Section 1. Section **58-37-6.5** is enacted to read:

33 **58-37-6.5. Continuing professional education for controlled substance prescribers.**

34 (1) (a) Beginning on July 1, 2012, each individual, other than a veterinarian, who has a
35 license to prescribe a controlled substance under Title 58, Chapter 37, Utah Controlled
36 Substances Act, shall complete at least four continuing professional education hours in
37 approved controlled substance prescribing classes per licensing period.

38 (b) Any controlled substance prescribing class under this section shall:

39 (i) qualify for the AMA PRA Category 1 Credit;

40 (ii) be presented by an organization accredited to provide continuing medical
41 education ~~§~~→ [~~including~~] by ~~←~~§ :

42 (A) the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education;

43 (B) the Utah Medical Association; or

44 (C) another recognized state continuing medical education accrediting body; and

45 (iii) be approved by:

46 (A) the recognized state continuing medical education accrediting body; and

47 (B) the division.

48 (2) The division, by rule and in consultation with the applicable practitioner licensing

49 ~~§~~→ [~~board~~] boards ~~←~~§ and the recognized state continuing medical education accrediting body,

49a shall establish

50 educational content for any controlled substance prescribing class under this section. The

51 content shall include materials such as:

52 (a) use of the state controlled substance database;

53 (b) specific pharmacology;

54 (c) abuse, dependence, and addictive properties and toxicity of certain controlled

55 substances, which may include opioid narcotics, hypnotic depressants, and psychostimulants;

56 and

- 57 (d) other applicable content as determined by the division and established by rule.
58 (3) A controlled substance prescribing class required under this section:
59 (a) may be held:
60 (i) in conjunction with other continuing professional education programs; and
61 (ii) online;
62 (b) does not increase the total number of state-required continuing professional
63 education hours required for prescriber licensing; and
64 (c) shall be reported by an individual as part of the continuing professional education
65 required for licensing.
66 (4) The division may establish rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
67 Administrative Rulemaking Act, to implement this section.

FISCAL NOTE

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SHORT TITLE: Education for Prescribing Controlled Substances

SPONSOR: Jones, P.

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STATE GOVERNMENT (UCA 36-12-13(2)(b))

Enactment of this bill likely will not materially impact the state budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (UCA 36-12-13(2)(c))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

DIRECT EXPENDITURES BY UTAH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES (UCA 36-12-13(2)(d))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable expenditures by Utah residents or businesses.