

Representative Edward H. Redd proposes the following substitute bill:

METHADONE TREATMENT AMENDMENTS

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Edward H. Redd

Senate Sponsor: Brian E. Shiozawa

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Controlled Substance Database Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- requires a prescriber at an opioid treatment program that is certified under federal law, to periodically check the database before administering an opioid replacement drug to a patient; and

- requires coordination between the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to establish the interval for checking the database.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

58-37f-303, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

27 Section 1. Section **58-37f-303** is enacted to read:

28 **58-37f-303. Opioid treatment program and access to the database.**

29 (1) For purposes of this section:

30 (a) "Opioid replacement drug" means methadone and buprenorphine.

31 (b) "Opioid treatment program" means a program that is certified under 42 C.F.R. Part
32 8 to manage opioid addiction by prescribing or dispensing an opioid replacement drug to a
33 patient in the program.

34 (2) (a) An individual who is authorized to prescribe or dispense an opioid replacement
35 drug to a patient in an opioid treatment program shall access the database in accordance with
36 Subsection (2)(b) to determine if the patient is receiving other medications that may be
37 contraindicated for a patient in the treatment program.

38 (b) An individual under Subsection (2)(a) shall access the database for a patient who
39 receives the opioid replacement drug at intervals established by rule made by the division under
40 Title 63G, Chapter 3 Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, which rule shall be made in
41 consultation with, and be consistent with, recommendations from the Division of Substance
42 Abuse and Mental Health within the Department of Human Services.

43 (3) If an individual who is authorized to prescribe or dispense an opioid replacement
44 drug to a patient in an opioid treatment program does not check the database in accordance
45 with Subsection (2)(b), the individual has engaged in unprofessional practice under the
46 individual's license under this title.