88    container with the label attached.

89         Section 2.  Section **58-37-19** is amended to read:

90         **58-37-19.   Opiate prescription consultation -- Prescription for opioid antagonist**

91    **required.**

92         (1)  As used in this section:

93         [(a)  "Hospice" means the same as that term is defined in Section 26-21-2.]

94         [(b)] (a)  "Initial opiate prescription" means a prescription for an opiate to a patient

95    who:

96         (i)  has never previously been issued a prescription for an opiate; or

97         (ii)  was previously issued a prescription for an opiate, but the date on which the current

98    prescription is being issued is more than one year after the date on which an opiate was

99    previously prescribed or administered to the patient.

100         (b)  "Opioid antagonist" means the same as that term is defined in Section 26-55-102.

101         (c)  "Prescriber" means an individual authorized to prescribe a controlled substance

102    under this chapter.

103         (2)  Except as provided in Subsection (3), a prescriber may not issue an initial opiate

104    prescription without discussing with the patient, or the patient's parent or guardian if the patient

105    is under 18 years of age and is not an emancipated minor:

106         (a)  the risks of addiction and overdose associated with opiate drugs;

107         (b)  the dangers of taking opiates with alcohol, benzodiazepines, and other central

108    nervous system depressants;

109         (c)  the reasons why the prescription is necessary;

110         (d)  alternative treatments that may be available; and

111         (e)  other risks associated with the use of the drugs being prescribed.

112         (3)  [This section] Subsection (2) does not apply to a prescription for:

113         (a)  a patient who is currently in active treatment for cancer;

114         (b)  a patient who is receiving hospice care from a licensed hospice as defined in

115    Section 26-21-2; or

116         (c)  a medication that is being prescribed to a patient for the treatment of the patient's

117    substance abuse or opiate dependence.

118         (4) (a)  Beginning January 1, 2024, a prescriber shall  Ĥ➡ **offer to** ⬅Ĥ  prescribe or dispense

118a   an opioid