

1 Page 2-after line 14 Delete the House standing committee  
2 amendment (HB0085HS001/A) to this line and  
3 insert:  
4

5 "(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, when a  
6 practitioner, other than a veterinarian, prescribes a schedule II,  
7 III, IV or V controlled substance, the practitioner or his delegate  
8 shall search the prescription tracking program for prior  
9 prescriptions issued to the patient before first issuing the  
10 prescription and as needed thereafter based on current best  
11 practice guidelines for the practitioner's licensed profession,  
12 except for prescribed opioids for which the practitioner or his  
13 delegate shall repeat the search every three (3) months thereafter  
14 for as long as the ~~controlled substance~~ prescribed opioids remains  
15 a part of the patient's treatment. A practitioner who prescribes  
16 a schedule V controlled substance shall only be required to search  
17 the program as otherwise provided in this subsection if the  
18 substance is an opioid. A dispenser, other than a veterinarian,  
19 shall electronically file with the board information regarding any  
20 prescription for a schedule II, III, IV or V controlled substance  
21 dispensed by the dispenser no later than the close of business on  
22 the business day immediately following the day the controlled  
23 substance was dispensed. The board may grant a reasonable time  
24 extension to a dispenser or practitioner who is unable to  
25 electronically file or search information as required under this  
26 subsection. The board may require the filing of other prescriptions  
27 and may specify the manner in which the prescriptions are filed.  
28 The board may, by rule and regulation, provide exemptions from the  
29 requirements of this subsection including but not limited to  
30 exemptions for prescriptions dispensed in certain inpatient health  
31 care settings, for settings where the risk for diversion or misuse  
32 of medication is found by the board to be minimal and exemptions  
33 for emergencies and other situations as determined by the board in  
34 consultation with other professional licensing boards that license  
35 practitioners who are affected by the requirements of this  
36 subsection.

37  
38 (f) The board may conduct a survey or audit of a  
39 practitioner's usage of the state computerized program to track  
40 prescriptions in relation to the practitioner's prescribing  
41 patterns. If the board finds low or inappropriate usage of the  
42 program the board shall report its findings to the practitioner's  
43 professional licensing board.". CLEM