Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB37

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 21, 2015

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 37 creates a Prescription Drug Safety Act to provide rules for the prescribing, storage, dispensing, and record keeping of non-controlled prescription drugs. Statutes regarding adulteration and misbranding of drugs and devices are moved into the Prescription Drug Safety Act.

LB 37 updates and amends many provisions and definitions within the Pharmacy Practice Act, and deletes outdated language and unnecessary references. LB 37 transfers language from the Drug Product Selection Act provisions into the Pharmacy Practice Act. LB 37 adds sections relating to hospital pharmacy, compounding and reconstitution requirements and standards, prescription and chart orders, electronic prescribing requirements, and pharmacist supervision of technicians and pharmacist interns. LB 37 removes the requirements for written control procedures for pharmacy technicians, requires certification of pharmacy technicians by 1/1/17, and harmonizes statutes found throughout the various pharmacy acts.

LB 37 names the statutes pertaining to poisons as the Poison Control Act, and adds provisions to the act that are being transferred from other Acts.

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