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* Section 1. AS 17.20.085 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

(d) The chief medical officer of the department may issue a standing order, including a statewide standing order, for the prescription of an opioid overdose drug. A standing order issued under this subsection must expire on or before June 30, 2021.

(e) Annually, on or before October 1, the department shall complete a report describing activities and expenditures related to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration grants and the opioid epidemic and shall submit the report to the senate secretary and chief clerk of the house of representatives and notify the legislature that the report is available.

* Sec. 2. AS 17.20.085(d) is repealed June 30, 2021.
* Sec. 3. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

RETROACTIVITY. This Act is retroactive to March 15, 2017.

* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).