

**SENATE BILL NO. 162**  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY SENATOR OLSON**

Introduced: 2/7/14  
Referred: Health and Social Services

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act authorizing a licensed optometrist to prescribe a pharmaceutical agent  
2 containing hydrocodone."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 \* Section 1. AS 08.72.272(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A licensee may prescribe and use a pharmaceutical agent, including a  
6 controlled substance, in the practice of optometry if

7 (1) the pharmaceutical agent

8 (A) is prescribed and used for the treatment of ocular disease or  
9 conditions, ocular adnexal disease or conditions, or emergency anaphylaxis;

10 (B) is not a schedule IA, IIA, or VIA controlled substance;  
11 however, notwithstanding this paragraph, a licensee may prescribe and  
12 use a pharmaceutical agent containing hydrocodone;

13 (C) is prescribed in a quantity that does not exceed four days of  
14 prescribed use if it is a controlled substance;

