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To: Members of the Alaska Legislature

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Re: Sectional for Committee Substitute for House Bill 324 (28-LS1427\N)

House Bill 324 is broken into seven sections. References to "Board" mean the Board of Pharmacy:

SECTION 1: Adds language to the Board's authority to establish fees for the dispensing of controlled substances and provides reference language for non or late payment penalties.

SECTION 2: Directs the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to assist the Board to seek funding outside of traditional state funding methods.

SECTION 3: Establishes that the primary method used will be an electronic database but permits alternatives.

SECTION 4: Permits the Board to contract with a private contractor to maintain the database in a secure manner but must be accessible to pharmacist and practitioners.

SECTION 5: Under regulation guidelines pharmacist and practitioners will be permitted to delegate input access to a licensed employee.

SECTION 6: The Board may provide for a good cause waiver.

SECTION 7: The Board, by regulation will establish reasonable fees and procedures and penalties for collection to offset direct costs associated with the database.

Please note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

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