

HOUSE BILL NO. 113

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 1/30/07

Referred: Health, Education and Social Services, Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the prescription and use of pharmaceutical agents, including
2 controlled substances, by optometrists."

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, as defined in AS 11.71.900, in the practice of optometry if

7 (1) the pharmaceutical agent is not a schedule IA controlled
8 substance, as defined in AS 11.71.900;

9 (2) the pharmaceutical agent is prescribed and used for the
10 treatment of ocular disease or conditions, ocular adnexal disease or conditions, or
11 emergency anaphylaxis;

12 (3) the person has on file with the department the person's current
13 federal Drug Enforcement Administration registration number that is valid for
14 the controlled substance prescribed or used [A DRUG TOPICALLY APPLIED TO

1 THE HUMAN EYE AND ITS APPENDAGES]; and

2 (4) [(2)] the person holds a license endorsement issued by the board
3 authorizing the prescription and use of pharmaceutical agents under this subsection.

4 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.72.272(c) is amended to read:

5 (c) A licensee may use a pharmaceutical agent in the practice of optometry if

6 (1) the pharmaceutical agent is a drug topically applied to the human
7 eye and its appendages; and

8 (2) the person holds a license endorsement issued by the board
9 authorizing the use of the pharmaceutical agent under this subsection.