

HOUSE BILL NO. 91

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Introduced: 2/18/21

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act exempting veterinarians from the requirements of the controlled substance
2 prescription database."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 17.30.200(o) is amended to read:

5 (o) The board shall promptly notify the State Medical Board, the Board of
6 Nursing, the Board of Dental Examiners, **and** the Board of Examiners in Optometry [,
7 AND THE BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS] when a practitioner registers
8 with the database under (n) of this section.

9 * **Sec. 2.** AS 17.30.200(t) is amended to read:

10 (t) A practitioner or a pharmacist is not required to comply with the
11 requirements of (a) and (b) of this section if

12 **(1) the practitioner is a veterinarian licensed under AS 08.98; or**

13 **(2) a controlled substance is**

14 **(A) [(1)] administered to a patient at**

- 1 (i) [(A)] a health care facility; or
 2 (ii) [(B)] a correctional facility; **or**
 3 (B) [(2)] dispensed to a patient for an outpatient supply of 24
 4 hours or less at a hospital
 5 (i) [(A)] inpatient pharmacy; or
 6 (ii) [(B)] emergency department.

7 * **Sec. 3.** AS 17.30.200(u) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

8 (6) "practitioner"

9 (A) means a physician, dentist, advanced practice registered
 10 nurse, optometrist, scientific investigator, or other person licensed, registered,
 11 or otherwise permitted to distribute, dispense, conduct research with respect to,
 12 or to administer or use in teaching or chemical analysis a controlled substance
 13 in the course of professional practice or research in the state;

14 (B) means a pharmacy, hospital, or other institution licensed,
 15 registered, or otherwise permitted to distribute, dispense, conduct research with
 16 respect to, or to administer a controlled substance in the course of professional
 17 practice or research in the state;

18 (C) does not include a veterinarian.

19 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.98.050(a)(10) is repealed.