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HOUSE FILE 595
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 104)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to controlled substances including the
- 2 manufacture, delivery, or possession of a controlled
- 3 substance including fentanyl; the manufacture of a
- 4 controlled substance in the presence of a minor; conspiracy
- 5 to manufacture for delivery or delivery or intent or
- 6 conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance to a
- 7 minor; receipt, provision, and administration of opioid
- 8 antagonists, including by secondary distributors; providing
- 9 for immunity; and providing penalties.
- 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 DIVISION I

- 2 MANUFACTURE, DELIVERY, OR POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- 3 Section 1. Section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph a,
- 4 subparagraph (8), Code 2023, is amended to read as follows:
- 5 (8) More than ten kilograms of a mixture or substance
- 6 containing any detectable amount of those substances identified
- 7 in section 124.204, subsection 9, except for a mixture or
- 8 substance containing any detectable amount of fentanyl or any
- 9 fentanyl-related substance identified in section 124.204,
- 10 subsection 9.
- 11 Sec. 2. Section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 12 2023, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (9) More than fifty grams of a mixture
- 14 or substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl or
- 15 any fentanyl-related substance identified in section 124.204,
- 16 subsection 9.
- 17 Sec. 3. Section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 18 2023, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 19 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (10) More than five grams but not
- 20 more than fifty grams of a mixture or substance containing a
- 21 detectable amount of fentanyl or any fentanyl-related substance
- 22 identified in section 124.204, subsection 9.
- 23 Sec. 4. Section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 24 2023, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 25 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (10) Five grams or less of a mixture
- 26 or substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl or
- 27 any fentanyl-related substance identified in section 124.204,
- 28 subsection 9.
- 29 Sec. 5. Section 124.401, subsection 1, Code 2023, is amended
- 30 by adding the following new paragraphs:
- 31 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. A person who causes the death of another
- 32 person while participating in a violation of this subsection
- 33 and who is not entitled to protection under section 124.418,
- 34 shall be sentenced to three times the term otherwise imposed by
- 35 law, and no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof shall be

- 1 deferred or suspended.
- 2 NEW PARAGRAPH. h. A person who causes serious bodily injury
- 3 to another person while participating in a violation of this
- 4 subsection and who is not entitled to protection under section
- 5 124.418, shall be sentenced to two times the term otherwise
- 6 imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof
- 7 shall be deferred or suspended.
- 8 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. For purposes of this subsection, a
- 9 person's act of manufacturing or delivering a controlled
- 10 substance resulting in the death of another person shall
- 11 be deemed to have caused the other person's death when the
- 12 controlled substance contributes to the other person's death.
- 13 Sec. 6. Section 124.401C, subsection 1, Code 2023, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- 15 l. In addition to any other penalties provided in this
- 16 chapter, a person who is eighteen years of age or older and
- 17 who either directly or by extraction from natural substances,
- 18 or independently by means of chemical processes, or both,
- 19 unlawfully manufactures methamphetamine, its salts, isomers,
- 20 or salts of its isomers a controlled substance, counterfeit
- 21 substance, simulated controlled substance, or imitation
- 22 controlled substance in violation of section 124.401,
- 23 subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", or "c", in the presence
- 24 of a minor shall be sentenced up to an additional term of
- 25 confinement of five years to two times the term otherwise
- 26 imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof
- 27 shall be deferred or suspended. However, the additional term
- 28 of confinement shall not be imposed on a person who has been
- 29 convicted and sentenced for a child endangerment offense under
- 30 section 726.6, subsection 1, paragraph "g", arising from the
- 31 same facts.
- 32 Sec. 7. Section 124.401D, Code 2023, is amended to read as
- 33 follows:
- 34 124.401D Conspiracy to manufacture for delivery or delivery
- 35 or intent or conspiracy to deliver amphetamine or methamphetamine

1 to a minor.

- 2 l. a. It is unlawful for a person eighteen years of age
- 3 or older to act with, or enter into a common scheme or design
- 4 with, or conspire with one or more persons to manufacture
- 5 for delivery to a person under eighteen years of age a
- 6 material, compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that
- 7 contains any detectable amount of amphetamine, its salts,
- 8 isomers, or salts of its isomers, or methamphetamine, its
- 9 salts, isomers, or salts of its isomers controlled substance,
- 10 counterfeit substance, simulated controlled substance, or
- 11 imitation controlled substance in violation of section 124.401,
- 12 subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", or "c".
- 13 b. A violation of this subsection is a felony punishable
- 14 under section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a" A person
- 15 violating this subsection shall be sentenced to two times the
- 16 term otherwise imposed under section 124.401, subsection 1, and
- 17 no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof shall be deferred
- 18 or suspended.
- 19 c. A second or subsequent violation of this subsection is a
- 20 class "A" felony.
- 21 2. a. It is unlawful for a person eighteen years of age
- 22 or older to deliver, or possess with the intent to deliver to
- 23 a person under eighteen years of age, a material, compound,
- 24 mixture, preparation, or substance that contains any detectable
- 25 amount of amphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts of its
- 26 isomers, or methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts
- 27 of its isomers controlled substance, counterfeit substance,
- 28 simulated controlled substance, or imitation controlled
- 29 substance in violation of section 124.401, subsection 1,
- 30 paragraph "a", "b", or "c", or to act with, or enter into a
- 31 common scheme or design with, or conspire with one or more
- 32 persons to deliver or possess with the intent to deliver to
- 33 a person under eighteen years of age a material, compound,
- 34 mixture, preparation, or substance that contains any detectable
- 35 amount of amphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts of its

- 1 isomers, or methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts
- 2 of its isomers controlled substance, counterfeit substance,
- 3 simulated controlled substance, or imitation controlled
- 4 substance in violation of section 124.401, subsection 1,
- 5 paragraph "a", "b", or "c".
- 6 b. A violation of this subsection is a felony punishable
- 7 under section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a" A person
- 8 violating this subsection shall be sentenced to two times the
- 9 term otherwise imposed under section 124.401, subsection 1, and
- 10 no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof shall be deferred
- 11 or suspended.
- 12 c. A second or subsequent violation of this subsection is a
- 13 class "A" felony.
- 3. Delivery to a minor or possession with intent to deliver
- 15 to a minor a controlled substance, counterfeit substance,
- 16 simulated controlled substance, or imitation controlled
- 17 substance in violation of section 124.401, subsection 1,
- 18 paragraph "a", "b", or "c", shall include the following products
- 19 if the person knew or had reasonable cause to believe the
- 20 controlled, counterfeit, simulated, or imitation controlled
- 21 substance would be delivered to a person under eighteen years
- 22 of age:
- 23 a. Combining a controlled substance listed in section
- 24 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", or "c", with a food
- 25 or beverage product.
- 26 b. Marketing or packaging a controlled substance listed in
- 27 section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", or "c", to
- 28 appear similar to a food or beverage product.
- c. Modifying the flavor or color of a controlled substance
- 30 listed in section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", or
- 31 "c", to appear similar to a food or beverage product.
- 32 Sec. 8. Section 124.413, subsection 1, Code 2023, is amended
- 33 to read as follows:
- 34 1. Except as provided in subsection 3 and sections 901.11
- 35 and 901.12, a person sentenced pursuant to section 124.401,

1 subsection 1, paragraph "a", "b", "e", or "f", "g", or "h" shall 2 not be eligible for parole or work release until the person 3 has served a minimum term of confinement of one-third of the 4 maximum indeterminate sentence prescribed by law. 5 Sec. 9. Section 811.1, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2023, are 6 amended to read as follows: 1. A defendant awaiting judgment of conviction and 8 sentencing following either a plea or verdict of guilty of a 9 class "A" felony; forcible felony as defined in section 702.11; 10 any class "B" felony included in section 462A.14 or 707.6A; any 11 felony included in section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph 12 "a" or "b"; a second or subsequent offense under section 13 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "c"; any felony punishable 14 under section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a"; any public 15 offense committed while detained pursuant to section 229A.5; 16 or any public offense committed while subject to an order of 17 commitment pursuant to chapter 229A. 2. A defendant appealing a conviction of a class "A" 18 19 felony; forcible felony as defined in section 702.11; any class 20 "B" or "C" felony included in section 462A.14 or 707.6A; any 21 felony included in section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph 22 "a" or "b"; or a second or subsequent conviction under section 23 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "c"; any felony punishable 24 under section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a"; any public 25 offense committed while detained pursuant to section 229A.5; 26 or any public offense committed while subject to an order of 27 commitment pursuant to chapter 229A. 28 Sec. 10. Section 901.2, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 29 2023, is amended to read as follows: The court shall order a presentence investigation when 30 31 the offense is any felony punishable under section 902.9, 32 subsection 1, paragraph "a", or a class "B", class "C", or 33 class "D" felony. A presentence investigation for any felony 34 punishable under section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a", 35 or a class "B", class "C", or class "D" felony shall not

- 1 be waived. The court may order, with the consent of the
- 2 defendant, that the presentence investigation begin prior to
- 3 the acceptance of a plea of guilty, or prior to a verdict of
- 4 guilty.
- 5 Sec. 11. Section 901.10, Code 2023, is amended by adding the
- 6 following new subsection:
- 7 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. A court sentencing a person for a
- 8 violation of section 124.401, subsection 1, paragraph "g",
- 9 shall not grant any reduction of sentence.
- 10 Sec. 12. Section 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 11 2023, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 12 Sec. 13. Section 906.5, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 13 2023, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 a. The board shall establish and implement a plan by which
- 15 the board systematically reviews the status of each person who
- 16 has been committed to the custody of the director of the Iowa
- 17 department of corrections and considers the person's prospects
- 18 for parole or work release. The board at least annually shall
- 19 review the status of a person other than a class "A" felon, a
- 20 class "B" felon serving a sentence of more than twenty-five
- 21 years, or a felon serving an offense punishable under section
- 22 902.9, subsection 1, paragraph "a", or a felon serving a
- 23 mandatory minimum sentence other than a class "A" felon, and
- 24 provide the person with notice of the board's parole or work
- 25 release decision.
- Sec. 14. REPEAL. Section 901.5A, Code 2023, is repealed.
- 27 DIVISION II
- 28 RECEIPT, PROVISION, AND ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS
- 29 Sec. 15. Section 135.190, subsection 1, Code 2023, is
- 30 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 31 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. "Secondary distributor" means a law
- 32 enforcement agency, emergency medical services program, fire
- 33 department, school district, health care provider, licensed
- 34 behavioral health provider, county health department, or the

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35 department of health and human services.

- 1 Sec. 16. Section 135.190, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2023, 2 are amended to read as follows:
- 3 2. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 4 contrary, a licensed health care professional may prescribe an
- 5 opioid antagonist to a person in a position to assist or to a
- 6 secondary distributor.
- 7 b. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 8 contrary, a pharmacist licensed under chapter 155A may, by
- 9 standing order or through collaborative agreement, dispense,
- 10 furnish, or otherwise provide an opioid antagonist to a person
- 11 in a position to assist or to a secondary distributor.
- 12 (2) A pharmacist or secondary distributor who dispenses,
- 13 furnishes, or otherwise provides an opioid antagonist pursuant
- 14 to a valid prescription, standing order, or collaborative
- 15 agreement shall provide written instruction, which shall
- 16 include emergency, crisis, and substance use referral contact
- 17 information, to the recipient in accordance with any protocols
- 18 and instructions developed by the department under this
- 19 section.
- 20 4. A person in a position to assist, a secondary
- 21 distributor, or a prescriber of an opioid antagonist who has
- 22 acted reasonably and in good faith shall not be liable for
- 23 any injury arising from the provision, administration, or
- 24 assistance in the administration of an opioid antagonist as
- 25 provided in this section.
- 26 Sec. 17. Section 147A.18, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2023,
- 27 are amended to read as follows:
- 28 1. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 29 contrary, a licensed health care professional may prescribe
- 30 an opioid antagonist in the name of a service program,
- 31 law enforcement agency, or fire department, or secondary
- 32 distributor to be maintained for use as provided in this
- 33 section. For purposes of this section, "secondary distributor"
- 34 means the same as defined in section 135.190.
- 35 b. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the

- 1 contrary, a pharmacist licensed under chapter 155A may, by
- 2 standing order or through collaborative agreement, dispense,
- 3 furnish, or otherwise provide an opioid antagonist in the
- 4 name of a service program, law enforcement agency, or fire
- 5 department, or secondary distributor to be maintained for use
- 6 as provided in this section.
- 7 (2) A pharmacist or secondary distributor who dispenses,
- 8 furnishes, or otherwise provides an opioid antagonist pursuant
- 9 to a valid prescription, standing order, or collaborative
- 10 agreement shall provide written instruction, which shall
- 11 include emergency, crisis, and substance referral contact
- 12 information, to the recipient in accordance with the protocols
- 13 and instructions developed by the department under this
- 14 section.
- 15 2. A service program, law enforcement agency, or fire
- 16 department, or secondary distributor may obtain a prescription
- 17 for and maintain a supply of opioid antagonists. A service
- 18 program, law enforcement agency, or fire department, or
- 19 secondary distributor that obtains such a prescription shall
- 20 replace an opioid antagonist upon its use or expiration.
- 21 Sec. 18. Section 147A.18, Code 2023, is amended by adding
- 22 the following new subsection:
- 23 NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. A secondary distributor may possess
- 24 and provide an opioid antagonist to a person in a position to
- 25 assist as defined in section 135.190.
- Sec. 19. Section 147A.18, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
- 27 2023, is amended to read as follows:
- 28 b. A service program, law enforcement agency, or fire
- 29 department, or secondary distributor.
- 30 Sec. 20. Section 147A.18, subsection 4, Code 2023, is
- 31 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 32 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The pharmacist who dispenses the opioid
- 33 antagonist.
- 34 Sec. 21. Section 155A.3, subsections 24 and 54, Code 2023,
- 35 are amended to read as follows:

- 1 24. "Limited distributor" means a person operating or 2 maintaining a location, regardless of the location, where 3 prescription drugs or devices are distributed at wholesale or 4 to a patient pursuant to a prescription drug order, who is
- 5 not eligible for a wholesale distributor license or pharmacy
- 6 license. "Limited distributor" does not include a secondary
- 7 distributor as defined in section 135.190.
- 8 54. "Wholesale distributor" means a person, other than
- 9 a manufacturer, a manufacturer's co-licensed partner, a
- 10 third-party logistics provider, or repackager, engaged in the
- ll wholesale distribution of a drug. "Wholesale distributor"
- 12 does not include a secondary distributor as defined in section
- 13 135.190.
- 14 Sec. 22. Section 155A.46, subsection 1, paragraph a,
- 15 subparagraph (1), Code 2023, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 (1) Naloxone Opioid antagonists for overdose reversals.
- 17 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 20 This bill relates to controlled substances including the
- 21 manufacture, delivery, or possession of a controlled substance
- 22 including fentanyl; the manufacture of a controlled substance
- 23 in the presence of a minor; a conspiracy to manufacture for
- 24 delivery or delivery or intent or conspiracy to deliver a
- 25 controlled substance to a minor; the receipt, provision, and
- 26 administration of opioid antagonists, including by secondary
- 27 distributors, provides for immunity; and provides penalties.
- 28 The bill is organized by divisions.
- 29 DIVISION I MANUFACTURE, DELIVERY, OR POSSESSION OF A
- 30 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.
- 31 FENTANYL. The bill provides that the manufacture, delivery
- 32 or possession of a controlled substance containing more than 50
- 33 grams of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount
- 34 of fentanyl or any fentanyl-related substance identified in
- 35 Code section 124.204(9) is a class "B" felony, punishable by

- 1 confinement for no more than 50 years and a fine of not more
- 2 than \$1 million.
- 3 The bill provides that the manufacture, delivery or
- 4 possession of a controlled substance containing more
- 5 than 5 grams but not more than 50 grams of a mixture or
- 6 substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl or
- 7 any fentanyl-related substance identified in Code section
- 8 124.204(9) is a class "B" felony, punishable by confinement for
- 9 no more than 25 years and a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor
- 10 more than \$100,000.
- 11 The bill provides that the manufacture, delivery or
- 12 possession of a controlled substance containing 5 grams or
- 13 less of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount
- 14 of fentanyl or any fentanyl-related substance identified in
- 15 Code section 124.204(9) is a class "C" felony, punishable by
- 16 confinement for no more than 10 years and a fine of not less
- 17 than \$1,000 nor more than \$50,000.
- 18 MANUFACTURE, DELIVERY, OR POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED
- 19 SUBSTANCES SENTENCING ENHANCEMENTS. The bill provides
- 20 that a person who causes the death of another person while
- 21 participating in the manufacture, delivery, or possession of
- 22 a controlled substance and who is not entitled to protection
- 23 under Code section 124.418 (persons seeking medical assistance
- 24 for drug-related overdose), shall be sentenced to three times
- 25 the term otherwise imposed by law, and no such judgment,
- 26 sentence, or part thereof shall be deferred or suspended.
- 27 The bill provides that a person who causes serious bodily
- 28 injury to another person while participating in a violation
- 29 of the manufacture, delivery, or possession of a controlled
- 30 substance and who is not entitled to protection under Code
- 31 section 124.418, shall be sentenced to two times the term
- 32 otherwise imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or
- 33 part thereof shall be deferred or suspended.
- 34 The bill provides that a person's act of manufacturing or
- 35 delivering a controlled substance that results in the death

- 1 on another person shall be deemed to have caused the other
 2 person's death when the controlled substance contributed to the
 3 other person's death.
- 4 MANUFACTURE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN PRESENCE OF A MINOR.
- 5 Current law provides that in addition to any other penalties
- 6 provided in Code chapter 124, a person who is 18 years of age
- 7 or older and who either directly or by extraction from natural
- 8 substances, or independently by means of chemical processes,
- 9 or both, unlawfully manufactures methamphetamine, its salts,
- 10 isomers, or salts of its isomers in the presence of a minor
- 11 shall be sentenced up to an additional term of confinement
- 12 of five years. The bill amends current law to apply to all
- 13 controlled substances listed in Code section 124.401(1)(a,
- 14 b, and c) and provides that a person in violation of this
- 15 provision shall be sentenced to two times the term otherwise
- 16 imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof
- 17 shall be deferred or suspended.
- 18 CONSPIRACY TO MANUFACTURE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR DELIVERY
- 19 TO MINOR. Current law provides that it is unlawful for a
- 20 person 18 years of age or older to act with, or enter into a
- 21 common scheme or design with, or conspire with one or more
- 22 persons to manufacture for delivery to a person under 18 years
- 23 of age a material, compound, mixture, preparation, or substance
- 24 that contains any detectable amount of amphetamine, its salts,
- 25 isomers, or salts of its isomers, or methamphetamine, its
- 26 salts, isomers, or salts of its isomers. A person in violation
- 27 of this provision shall be confined for no more than 99 years.
- 28 The bill strikes this penalty. The bill amends current law
- 29 to apply to all controlled substances listed in Code section
- 30 124.401(1)(a, b, and c) and provides that a person in violation
- 31 of this provision shall be sentenced to two times the term
- 32 otherwise imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or
- 33 part thereof shall be deferred or suspended. A second or
- 34 subsequent violation is a class "A" felony.
- 35 Current law provides that it is unlawful for a person 18

- 1 years of age or older to deliver, or possess with the intent
- 2 to deliver to a person under 18 years of age, a material,
- 3 compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that contains any
- 4 detectable amount of amphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts
- 5 of its isomers, or methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, or
- 6 salts of its isomers. A person in violation of this provision
- 7 shall be confined for no more than 99 years. The bill strikes
- 8 this penalty. The bill amends current law to apply to all
- 9 controlled substances listed in Code section 124.401(1)(a,
- 10 b, and c) and provides that a person in violation of this
- 11 provision shall be sentenced to two times the term otherwise
- 12 imposed by law, and no such judgment, sentence, or part
- 13 thereof shall be deferred or suspended. A second or subsequent
- 14 violation is a class "A" felony.
- The bill provides that a person who is sentenced for
- 16 the death or serious bodily injury to another person while
- 17 participating in the manufacture, delivery, or possession of
- 18 a controlled substance, and who is not entitled to protection
- 19 under Code section 124.418 (persons seeking medical assistance
- 20 for drug-related overdose), shall not be eligible for parole
- 21 or work release until the person has served a minimum term of
- 22 confinement of one-third of the maximum indeterminate sentence
- 23 prescribed by law.
- 24 The bill makes conforming Code changes due to the strike of
- 25 the 99-year penalty.
- 26 DELIVERY OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TO MINOR FOOD OR
- 27 BEVERAGE PRODUCTS. The bill provides that delivery to a minor
- 28 or possession with intent to deliver to a minor a controlled
- 29 substance, counterfeit substance, simulated controlled
- 30 substance, or imitation controlled substance shall include the
- 31 following products if the person knew or had reasonable cause
- 32 to believe the controlled substance, counterfeit substance,
- 33 simulated controlled substance, or imitation controlled
- 34 substance would be delivered to a person under 18 years of
- 35 age: combining a controlled substance with a food or beverage

- 1 product; marketing or packaging a controlled substance to
- 2 appear similar to a food or beverage product; or modifying the
- 3 flavor or color of a controlled substance to appear similar to
- 4 a food or beverage product.
- 5 The bill provides that a person sentenced for causing
- 6 the death of another while participating in the manufacture,
- 7 delivery, or possession of a controlled substance shall not be
- 8 granted a reduction of sentence.
- 9 DIVISION II RECEIPT, PROVISION, AND ADMINISTRATION OF
- 10 OPIOID ANTAGONISTS SECONDARY DISTRIBUTORS IMMUNITY.
- 11 Current law provides that a licensed health care professional
- 12 may prescribe an opioid antagonist to a person in a position
- 13 to assist. The bill expands this authorization to provide
- 14 that a licensed health care provider may prescribe an opioid
- 15 antagonist to a secondary distributor as defined in the bill.
- 16 Current law provides that a licensed pharmacist may, by
- 17 standing order or through collaborative agreement, dispense,
- 18 furnish, or otherwise provide an opioid antagonist in the
- 19 name of a service program, law enforcement agency, or fire
- 20 department. The bill expands this authorization to provide
- 21 that a licensed pharmacist may, by standing order or through
- 22 collaborative agreement, dispense, furnish, or otherwise
- 23 provide an opioid antagonist in the name of a secondary
- 24 distributor.
- 25 The bill includes secondary distributors and the pharmacist
- 26 who dispenses the opioid antagonist, provided they have acted
- 27 reasonably and in good faith, to the list of persons who shall
- 28 not be liable for any injury arising from the provision,
- 29 administration, or assistance in the administration of an
- 30 opioid antagonist.
- 31 The bill provides that a secondary distributor may obtain a
- 32 prescription for and maintain a supply of opioid antagonists.
- 33 A secondary distributor that obtains such a prescription shall
- 34 replace an opioid antagonist upon its use or expiration.
- 35 The bill provides that a pharmacist or secondary distributor

- 1 who dispenses, furnishes, or otherwise provides an opioid
- 2 antagonist pursuant to a valid prescription, standing order,
- 3 or collaborative agreement shall provide written instruction,
- 4 including emergency, crisis, and substance use referral contact
- 5 information, to the recipient.
- 6 The bill provides that a secondary distributor may possess
- 7 and provide an opioid antagonist to a person in a position to
- 8 assist.
- 9 The bill provides that the terms "limited distributor" and
- 10 "wholesale distributor" do not include a secondary distributor
- 11 for purposes of Code chapter 155A (pharmacy).
- 12 The bill provides that a pharmacist may order and administer
- 13 opioid antagonists for overdose reversals to patients ages 18
- 14 years and older instead of naloxone.