

HB 1907 -- DUTY OF PHARMACY TO FILL PRESCRIPTIONS

SPONSOR: Newman

This bill requires a pharmacy to fill a valid and lawful prescription for any federal Food and Drug Administration approved drug or device used to prevent pregnancy, including emergency contraceptives, without delay.

If the contraceptive or suitable alternative is not in stock, the pharmacy must obtain the contraceptive under the pharmacy's standard procedures for ordering contraceptive drugs not in stock. However, if the patient prefers, the prescription must either be transferred to a local pharmacy of the patient's choice or returned to the patient.

The State Board of Pharmacy within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration is authorized to take disciplinary action against a licensed pharmacy that violates the provisions of the bill.

Nothing in these provisions must interfere with a pharmacist's screening for potential drug therapy problems, drug-disease contraindications, or other interaction problems.

This bill is the same as HB 350 (2015).