

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SB 477

2018 Regular Session

LaFleur

May 14, 2018

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 477 by Senator LaFleur, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

- 1. That the House Committee Amendment No. 1 proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare and adopted by the House of Representatives on April 19, 2018 be rejected.
- 2. That House Floor Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 proposed by Rep. LeBas and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 7, 2018 be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Senators:

Representatives:

Senator Eric LaFleur

Representative Frank A. Hoffmann

Senator Fred Mills

Representative Joseph Stagni

Senator Jay Luneau

Representative H. Bernard LeBas

The legislative instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christine Arbo Peck.

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Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

PHARMACEUTICALS. Provides relative to prescription chart orders. (8/1/18)

Report rejects House amendments which would have:

1. Stipulated that nothing in proposed law shall be construed to require chart orders for any medications administered in-center in outpatient dialysis facilities or for any medications for treatment of end-stage renal disease administered as part of home-based dialysis treatments.
2. Added prohibition on use of prescription drug information for data mining or marketing purposes in the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Proposed law adds the defined term "chart order" and its corresponding definition to present law, the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act, to apply to electronic or paper orders for drugs or devices for inpatients or residents of an institutional facility.

Proposed law provides for the use of chart orders with respect to electronic prescribing of noncontrolled legend drugs. Proposed law further provides for bidirectional electronic transmission of chart orders in certain circumstances from the institutional facility to the pharmacy.

Proposed law provides that the institutional facility is the only party to the prescription drug chart order that is required to maintain a copy of the prescriber's signature.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Adds R.S. 37:1164(59) and 1226.4)