

SENATE BILL NO. 75

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:978(F)(2), relative to the prescription monitoring program; to provide for prescriber notice from his licensing board upon first failure to comply with certain statutory requirements; to provide for a complaint against the prescriber upon second and subsequent failures to comply with certain statutory requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:978(F)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§978. Prescriptions

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(2) The provisions of this Subsection shall be enforced by the health profession licensing board that regulates the prescriber. Each health profession licensing board that regulates prescribers shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to comply with the mandate in this Subsection. If a health profession licensing board becomes aware of a prescriber's **first** failure to comply with this Subsection, **as verified by the data of the Prescription Monitoring Program, the board shall notify the prescriber of the relevant statutory requirements and inform the prescriber of the need to correct or amend his prescribing practices to comply with the provisions of this Subsection. If a health profession licensing board becomes aware of a second or subsequent failure to comply with this Subsection, as verified by the data of the**

