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The Committee on Governmental Operations (King) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 9, between lines 17 and 18,

insert:

Section 7. Section 408.0611, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

408.0611 Electronic prescribing clearinghouse.--

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to promote the implementation of electronic prescribing by health care practitioners, health care facilities, and pharmacies in order to prevent prescription drug abuse, improve patient safety, and reduce unnecessary prescriptions. To that end, it is the intent of the Legislature to create a clearinghouse of information on electronic prescribing to convey the process and advantages of electronic prescribing; to provide information regarding the availability of electronic prescribing products, including no-cost or low-cost products; and to regularly convene stakeholders to assess and accelerate

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1 the implementation of electronic prescribing.

2 (2) As used in this section, the term:

3 (a) "Electronic prescribing" means, at a minimum, the
4 electronic review of the patient's medication history, the
5 electronic generation of the patient's prescription, and the
6 electronic transmission of the patient's prescription to a
7 pharmacy.

8 (b) "Health care practitioner" means an individual
9 authorized by law to prescribe drugs.

10 (3) The agency shall work in collaboration with
11 private-sector electronic prescribing initiatives and relevant
12 stakeholders to create a clearinghouse of information on
13 electronic prescribing for health care practitioners, health
14 care facilities, and pharmacies. These stakeholders shall
15 include organizations that represent health care
16 practitioners; organizations that represent health care
17 facilities; organizations that represent pharmacies;
18 organizations that operate electronic prescribing networks;
19 organizations that create electronic prescribing products; and
20 regional health information organizations. Specifically, the
21 agency shall, by October 1, 2007:

22 (a) Provide on its website:

23 1. Information regarding the process of electronic
24 prescribing and the availability of electronic prescribing
25 products, including no-cost or low-cost products;

26 2. Information regarding the advantages of electronic
27 prescribing, including using medication history data to
28 prevent drug interactions, prevent allergic reactions, and
29 deter doctor and pharmacy shopping for controlled substances;

30 3. Links to federal and private-sector websites that
31 provide guidance on selecting an appropriate electronic

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1 prescribing product; and

2 4. Links to state, federal, and private-sector
3 incentive programs for the implementation of electronic
4 prescribing.

5 (b) Convene quarterly meetings of the stakeholders to
6 assess and accelerate the implementation of electronic
7 prescribing.

8 (4) Pursuant to s. 408.061, the agency shall monitor
9 the implementation of electronic prescribing by health care
10 practitioners, health care facilities, and pharmacies. By
11 January 31 of each year, the agency shall report on the
12 progress of implementation of electronic prescribing to the
13 Governor and the Legislature. Information reported pursuant to
14 this subsection shall include federal and private-sector
15 electronic prescribing initiatives and, to the extent that
16 data is readily available from organizations that operate
17 electronic prescribing networks, the number of health care
18 practitioners using electronic prescribing and the number of
19 prescriptions electronically transmitted.

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21 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 On page 2, line 5, after the semicolon,

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28 insert:

29 creating s. 408.0611, F.S.; providing
30 legislative intent; providing definitions;
31 requiring the Agency for Health Care

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1 Administration to create a clearinghouse of
2 information on electronic prescribing;
3 requiring the agency to monitor and report on
4 the implementation of electronic prescribing;
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