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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services  
(Richter) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 49 and 50  
insert:

Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 456.44, Florida  
Statutes, is amended to read:

456.44 Controlled substance prescribing.—

(2) REGISTRATION.—Effective January 1, 2012, a physician  
licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 461, chapter  
463, or chapter 466 who prescribes any controlled substance,  
listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV as defined  
in s. 893.03, for the treatment of chronic nonmalignant pain,



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13 must:

14 (a) Designate himself or herself as a controlled substance  
15 prescribing practitioner on the physician's practitioner  
16 profile.

17 (b) Comply with the requirements of this section and  
18 applicable board rules.

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20 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

21 And the title is amended as follows:

22 Delete line 2

23 and insert:

24 An act relating to the practice of optometry; amending  
25 s. 456.44, F.S.; requiring an optometrist who  
26 prescribes a controlled substance to meet certain  
27 registration requirements; amending