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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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03/21/2014	.	
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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Galvano) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete line 51

and insert:

Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 456.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

456.42 Written prescriptions for medicinal drugs.—

(2) A written prescription for a controlled substance listed in chapter 893 must have the quantity of the drug prescribed in both textual and numerical formats, must be dated



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11 on the face of the prescription in numeric month/day/year format
12 or with the abbreviated month written out or the month written
13 out in whole ~~on the face of the prescription~~, and must be either
14 written on a standardized counterfeit-proof prescription pad
15 produced by a vendor approved by the department or
16 electronically prescribed as that term is used in s. 408.0611.
17 As a condition of being an approved vendor, a prescription pad
18 vendor must submit a monthly report to the department that
19 ~~which~~, at a minimum, documents the number of prescription pads
20 sold and identifies the purchasers. The department may, by rule,
21 require the reporting of additional information.

22 Section 4. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
23 893.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

24 893.04 Pharmacist and practitioner.—

25 (2)

26 (d) Each written prescription prescribed by a practitioner
27 in this state for a controlled substance listed in Schedule II,
28 Schedule III, or Schedule IV must include on the face of the
29 prescription both a written and a numerical notation of the
30 quantity of the controlled substance prescribed ~~on the face of~~
31 ~~the prescription~~ and a legible notation of the date in numeric
32 month/day/year format or, with the abbreviated month written out
33 ~~on the face of the prescription~~. A pharmacist may, upon
34 verification by the prescriber, document any information
35 required by this paragraph. If the prescriber is not available
36 to verify a prescription, the pharmacist may dispense the
37 controlled substance but may insist that the person to whom the
38 controlled substance is dispensed provide valid photographic
39 identification. If a prescription includes a numerical notation



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40 of the quantity of the controlled substance or date, but does
41 not include the quantity or date written out in textual format,
42 the pharmacist may dispense the controlled substance without
43 verification by the prescriber of the quantity or date if the
44 pharmacy previously dispensed another prescription for the
45 person to whom the prescription was written.

46 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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

49 And the title is amended as follows:

50 Delete line 6

51 and insert:

52 the Board of Pharmacy; amending ss. 456.42 and 893.04,
53 F.S.; requiring written prescriptions for specified
54 controlled substances to be legibly dated in a
55 specified format; providing an effective date.

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