

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2016 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/CS/SB 964 — Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

by Fiscal Policy Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Grimsley

The bill exempts a rehabilitative hospital, assisted living facility, or nursing home that dispenses a dosage of a controlled substance to a patient from reporting that act of dispensing to the prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP).

The designee of a pharmacy, prescriber, or dispenser is allowed access to information in the PDMP database that relates to a patient of the pharmacy, prescriber, or dispenser, for the purpose of reviewing the patient's controlled substance prescription history.

The bill also authorizes impaired practitioner consultants to request access to the PDMP information relating to impaired practitioner program participants, or a person who is referred to the program. The impaired practitioner program participant, or a person referred to the program, must have agreed to be evaluated or monitored through the program, and separately agreed in writing to the consultant accessing the information in the PDMP.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2016.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 117-0