Senator Thurston moved the following:

**Senate Amendment to Amendment (397172) (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 83 - 111

and insert:

(1)(a) If not already required by the licensee’s practice act, the appropriate board shall require each person registered with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and authorized to prescribe controlled substances pursuant to 21 U.S.C. s. 822 to complete a board-approved 2-hour continuing education course on prescribing controlled substances as part of
biennial license renewal. The course must include information on
the current standards for prescribing controlled substances,
particularly opiates; alternatives to these standards;
nonpharmacological therapies; prescribing emergency opioid
antagonists; and the risks of opioid addiction following all
stages of treatment in the management of acute pain. The course
may be offered in a distance learning format and must be
included within the number of continuing education hours
required by law. The department may not renew the license of any
prescriber registered with the United States Drug Enforcement
Administration to prescribe controlled substances who has failed
to complete the course. When required by this paragraph, the
course must be completed by January 31, 2019, and at each
subsequent renewal.

(b) Each such licensee shall submit confirmation of having

And the title is amended as follows:
Delete lines 3886 - 3888
and insert:
  specified circumstances; requiring