

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## HB 1486

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Authorizing Washington pharmacies to fill prescriptions written by advanced registered nurse practitioners in other states.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Green, Jinkins, Cody, Hinkle, Moeller, Bailey, Schmick, Clibborn, Kelley and Condotta.

**House Committee on Health Care & Wellness**  
**Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care**

#### **Background:**

It is unlawful to possess, deliver, or dispense a legend drug or controlled substance except pursuant to a prescription issued by health care professionals who are licensed in Washington; e.g., physicians, dentists, and advanced registered nurse practitioners. Additionally, Washington pharmacies may honor prescriptions written by the following professions from other states:

- physicians;
- osteopathic physicians and surgeons;
- dentists;
- podiatric physicians and surgeons; and
- veterinarians.

In 2010 the Legislature added out-of-state advanced registered nurse practitioners to this list with respect to legend drugs, but not controlled substances.

#### **Summary:**

Washington pharmacies may honor prescriptions written by out-of-state advanced registered nurse practitioners with respect to controlled substances.

#### **Votes on Final Passage:**

House	92	1
House	91	0
Senate	49	0

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