
HOUSE BILL 2458

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1 AN ACT Relating to participation in the prescription drug
2 donation program; amending RCW 69.70.010, 69.70.020, 69.70.040, and
3 69.70.060; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 69.70.010 and 2013 c 260 s 1 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter
8 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

9 (1) "Department" means the department of health.

10 (2) "Drug manufacturer" means a facility licensed by the (~~board~~
11 ~~of~~) pharmacy quality assurance commission under chapter 18.64 RCW
12 that engages in the manufacture of drugs or devices.

13 (3) "Drug wholesaler" means a facility licensed by the (~~board~~
14 ~~of~~) pharmacy quality assurance commission under chapter 18.64 RCW
15 that buys drugs or devices for resale and distribution to
16 corporations, individuals, or entities other than consumers.

17 (4) "Medical facility" means a hospital, pharmacy, nursing home,
18 boarding home, adult family home, or medical clinic where the
19 prescription drugs are under the control of a practitioner.

20 (5) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust,
21 estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government,

1 governmental subdivision or agency, or any other legal or commercial
2 entity.

3 (6) "Pharmacist" means a person licensed by the (~~board of~~)
4 pharmacy quality assurance commission under chapter 18.64 RCW to
5 practice pharmacy.

6 (7) "Pharmacy" means a facility licensed by the (~~board of~~)
7 pharmacy quality assurance commission under chapter 18.64 RCW in
8 which the practice of pharmacy is conducted.

9 (8) "Practitioner" has the same meaning as in RCW 69.41.010.

10 (9) "Prescribing practitioner" means a person authorized to issue
11 orders or prescriptions for legend drugs as listed in RCW 69.41.030.

12 (10) "Prescription drugs" has the same meaning as "legend drugs"
13 as defined in RCW 69.41.010. The term includes cancer drugs and
14 antirejection drugs. The term does not include controlled substances.

15 (11) "Supplies" means the supplies necessary to administer
16 prescription drugs that are donated under the prescription drug
17 redistribution program.

18 (12) "Uninsured" means a person who:

19 (a) Does not have private or public health insurance; or

20 (b) Has health insurance, but the health insurance does not
21 provide coverage for a particular drug that has been prescribed to
22 the person.

23 **Sec. 2.** RCW 69.70.020 and 2013 c 260 s 2 are each amended to
24 read as follows:

25 (1) Any practitioner, pharmacist, medical facility, drug
26 manufacturer, or drug wholesaler may donate prescription drugs and
27 supplies to a pharmacy for redistribution without compensation or the
28 expectation of compensation to individuals who meet the
29 prioritization criteria established in RCW 69.70.040. Donations of
30 prescription drugs and supplies may be made on the premises of a
31 pharmacy that elects to participate in the provisions of this
32 chapter. A pharmacy that receives prescription drugs or supplies may
33 distribute the prescription drugs or supplies to another pharmacy,
34 pharmacist, or prescribing practitioner for use pursuant to the
35 program.

36 (2) The person to whom a prescription drug was prescribed, or the
37 person's representative, may donate prescription drugs under
38 subsection (1) of this section if the person, or the person's
39 representative, has completed and signed a donor form, adopted by the

1 department, to release the prescription drug for distribution under
2 this chapter and certifying that the donated prescription drug has
3 been properly stored and has never been opened, used, adulterated, or
4 misbranded.

5 **Sec. 3.** RCW 69.70.040 and 2013 c 260 s 4 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Pharmacies, pharmacists, and prescribing practitioners that elect
8 to dispense donated prescription drugs and supplies under this
9 chapter shall give priority to individuals who are uninsured (~~and at~~
10 ~~or below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level~~). If an
11 uninsured (~~and low income~~) individual has not been identified as in
12 need of available prescription drugs and supplies, those prescription
13 drugs and supplies may be dispensed to other individuals expressing
14 need.

15 **Sec. 4.** RCW 69.70.060 and 2013 c 260 s 6 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 (1) The department (~~must~~) shall adopt rules establishing forms
18 and procedures to: Reasonably verify eligibility and prioritize
19 patients seeking to receive donated prescription drugs and supplies;
20 and inform a person receiving prescription drugs donated under this
21 program that the prescription drugs have been donated for the
22 purposes of redistribution. A patient's eligibility may be determined
23 by a form signed by the patient certifying that the patient is
24 uninsured (~~and at or below two hundred percent of the federal~~
25 ~~poverty level~~).

26 (2) The department shall develop a form for persons to use when
27 releasing prescription drugs for distribution and certifying the
28 condition of the drugs, as provided in RCW 69.70.020(2).

29 (3) The department may establish any other rules necessary to
30 implement this chapter.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act may be known and cited as the
32 cancer can't charitable pharmacy act.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act takes effect January 1, 2017.

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