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1 AN ACT Relating to prescriptive authority of naturopaths;  
2 amending RCW 69.43.135 and 69.50.101; reenacting and amending RCW  
3 18.36A.020, 69.41.030, and 69.45.010; and adding a new section to  
4 chapter 18.36A RCW.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.36A.020 and 2011 c 41 s 3 and 2011 c 40 s 1 are  
7 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
9 this section apply throughout this chapter.

10 (1) "Board" means the board of naturopathy created in RCW  
11 18.36A.150.

12 (2) "Common diagnostic procedures" means the use of venipuncture  
13 consistent with the practice of naturopathic medicine, commonly used  
14 diagnostic modalities consistent with naturopathic practice, health  
15 history taking, physical examination, radiography, examination of  
16 body orifices excluding endoscopy, laboratory medicine, and obtaining  
17 samples of human tissues, but excluding incision or excision beyond  
18 that which is authorized as a minor office procedure.

19 (3) "Department" means the department of health.

20 (4) "Educational program" means an accredited program preparing  
21 persons for the practice of naturopathic medicine.

1 (5) "Homeopathy" means a system of medicine based on the use of  
2 infinitesimal doses of medicines capable of producing symptoms  
3 similar to those of the disease treated, as listed in the homeopathic  
4 pharmacopeia of the United States.

5 (6) "Hygiene and immunization" means the use of such preventative  
6 techniques as personal hygiene, asepsis, public health, and  
7 immunizations, to the extent allowed by rule.

8 (7) "Manual manipulation" or "mechanotherapy" means manipulation  
9 of a part or the whole of the body by hand or by mechanical means.

10 (8) "Minor office procedures" means care and procedures incident  
11 thereto of superficial lacerations, lesions, and abrasions, and the  
12 removal of foreign bodies located in superficial structures, not to  
13 include the eye; and the use of antiseptics and topical or local  
14 anesthetics in connection therewith. "Minor office procedures" also  
15 includes intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, and intradermal  
16 injections of substances consistent with the practice of naturopathic  
17 medicine and in accordance with rules established by the secretary.

18 (9) "Naturopath" means an individual licensed under this chapter.

19 (10) "Naturopathic medicines" means vitamins; minerals; botanical  
20 medicines; homeopathic medicines; ~~((hormones; and those legend drugs  
21 and controlled substances consistent with naturopathic medical  
22 practice in accordance with rules established by the board.  
23 Controlled substances are limited to codeine and testosterone  
24 products that are contained in Schedules III, IV, and V in chapter  
25 69.50 RCW))~~ and other nutrients and compounds, other than legend  
26 drugs or controlled substances, that are consistent with naturopathic  
27 medicine.

28 (11) "Nutrition and food science" means the prevention and  
29 treatment of disease or other human conditions through the use of  
30 foods, water, herbs, roots, bark, or natural food elements.

31 (12) "Physical modalities" means use of physical, chemical,  
32 electrical, and other modalities that do not exceed those used as of  
33 July 22, 2011, in minor office procedures or common diagnostic  
34 procedures, including but not limited to heat, cold, air, light,  
35 water in any of its forms, sound, massage, and therapeutic exercise.

36 (13) "Radiography" means the ordering, but not the  
37 interpretation, of radiographic diagnostic and other imaging studies  
38 and the taking and interpretation of standard radiographs.

39 (14) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's  
40 designee.

1 (15) "Suggestion" means techniques including but not limited to  
2 counseling, biofeedback, and hypnosis.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 18.36A  
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) Subject to the limitations in this section, a naturopath may  
6 prescribe and administer the following as necessary in the practice  
7 of naturopathy: (a) Legend drugs; (b) hydrocodone products contained  
8 in Schedule II of the uniform controlled substances act, chapter  
9 69.50 RCW; and (c) controlled substances contained in Schedules III  
10 through V of the uniform controlled substances act, chapter 69.50  
11 RCW.

12 (2) The maximum dosage of a controlled substance that a  
13 naturopath may prescribe is one hundred twenty milligrams morphine  
14 equivalent dose per day. A naturopath who is treating a patient for a  
15 single trauma, episode, or condition, or for pain associated with or  
16 related to a single trauma, episode, or condition, may issue a  
17 prescription for a controlled substance for a period not to exceed  
18 seven days.

19 (3) A naturopath who prescribes controlled substances shall  
20 register in the prescription monitoring program database under  
21 chapter 70.225 RCW.

22 (4)(a) In consultation with the pharmacy quality assurance  
23 commission, the board may adopt rules to establish education and  
24 training requirements related to legend drugs and controlled  
25 substances.

26 (b) The board shall adopt pain management rules appropriate for  
27 acute pain treatment, including, but not limited to, patient  
28 examination and screening for comorbidities and risk factors.

29 **Sec. 3.** RCW 69.41.030 and 2013 c 71 s 1 and 2013 c 12 s 1 are  
30 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

31 (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, deliver, or  
32 possess any legend drug except upon the order or prescription of a  
33 physician under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic physician and  
34 surgeon under chapter 18.57 RCW, an optometrist licensed under  
35 chapter 18.53 RCW who is certified by the optometry board under RCW  
36 18.53.010, a dentist under chapter 18.32 RCW, a podiatric physician  
37 and surgeon under chapter 18.22 RCW, a naturopathic physician under  
38 chapter 18.36A RCW, a veterinarian under chapter 18.92 RCW, a

1 commissioned medical or dental officer in the United States armed  
2 forces or public health service in the discharge of his or her  
3 official duties, a duly licensed physician or dentist employed by the  
4 veterans administration in the discharge of his or her official  
5 duties, a registered nurse or advanced registered nurse practitioner  
6 under chapter 18.79 RCW when authorized by the nursing care quality  
7 assurance commission, a pharmacist licensed under chapter 18.64 RCW  
8 to the extent permitted by drug therapy guidelines or protocols  
9 established under RCW 18.64.011 and authorized by the (~~board of~~)  
10 pharmacy quality assurance commission and approved by a practitioner  
11 authorized to prescribe drugs, an osteopathic physician assistant  
12 under chapter 18.57A RCW when authorized by the board of osteopathic  
13 medicine and surgery, a physician assistant under chapter 18.71A RCW  
14 when authorized by the medical quality assurance commission, or any  
15 of the following professionals in any province of Canada that shares  
16 a common border with the state of Washington or in any state of the  
17 United States: A physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery  
18 or a physician licensed to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery,  
19 a physician licensed to practice naturopathic medicine and authorized  
20 to prescribe legend drugs, a dentist licensed to practice dentistry,  
21 a podiatric physician and surgeon licensed to practice podiatric  
22 medicine and surgery, a licensed advanced registered nurse  
23 practitioner, a licensed physician assistant, a licensed osteopathic  
24 physician assistant, or a veterinarian licensed to practice  
25 veterinary medicine: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the above provisions  
26 shall not apply to sale, delivery, or possession by drug wholesalers  
27 or drug manufacturers, or their agents or employees, or to any  
28 practitioner acting within the scope of his or her license, or to a  
29 common or contract carrier or warehouse operator, or any employee  
30 thereof, whose possession of any legend drug is in the usual course  
31 of business or employment: PROVIDED FURTHER, That nothing in this  
32 chapter or chapter 18.64 RCW shall prevent a family planning clinic  
33 that is under contract with the health care authority from selling,  
34 delivering, possessing, and dispensing commercially prepackaged oral  
35 contraceptives prescribed by authorized, licensed health care  
36 practitioners.

37 (2)(a) A violation of this section involving the sale, delivery,  
38 or possession with intent to sell or deliver is a class B felony  
39 punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.

1 (b) A violation of this section involving possession is a  
2 misdemeanor.

3 **Sec. 4.** RCW 69.43.135 and 2011 c 336 s 838 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
6 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

7 (a) "Iodine matrix" means iodine at a concentration greater than  
8 two percent by weight in a matrix or solution.

9 (b) "Matrix" means something, as a substance, in which something  
10 else originates, develops, or is contained.

11 (c) "Methylsulfonylmethane" means methylsulfonylmethane in its  
12 powder form only, and does not include products containing  
13 methylsulfonylmethane in other forms such as liquids, tablets,  
14 capsules not containing methylsulfonylmethane in pure powder form,  
15 ointments, creams, cosmetics, foods, and beverages.

16 (2) Any person who knowingly purchases in a thirty-day period or  
17 possesses any quantity of iodine in its elemental form, an iodine  
18 matrix, or more than two pounds of methylsulfonylmethane is guilty of  
19 a gross misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (3) of this  
20 section.

21 (3) Subsection (2) of this section does not apply to:

22 (a) A person who possesses iodine in its elemental form or an  
23 iodine matrix as a prescription drug, under a prescription issued by  
24 a licensed veterinarian, physician, or advanced registered nurse  
25 practitioner;

26 (b) A person who possesses iodine in its elemental form, an  
27 iodine matrix, or any quantity of methylsulfonylmethane in its powder  
28 form and is actively engaged in the practice of animal husbandry of  
29 livestock;

30 (c) A person who possesses iodine in its elemental form or an  
31 iodine matrix in conjunction with experiments conducted in a  
32 chemistry or chemistry-related laboratory maintained by a:

33 (i) Public or private secondary school;

34 (ii) Public or private institution of higher education that is  
35 accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by  
36 the United States department of education;

37 (iii) Manufacturing facility, government agency, or research  
38 facility in the course of lawful business activities;

1 (d) A veterinarian, physician, naturopathic physician, advanced  
2 registered nurse practitioner, pharmacist, retail distributor,  
3 wholesaler, manufacturer, warehouse operator, or common carrier, or  
4 an agent of any of these persons who possesses iodine in its  
5 elemental form, an iodine matrix, or methylsulfonylmethane in its  
6 powder form in the regular course of lawful business activities; or

7 (e) A person working in a general hospital who possesses iodine  
8 in its elemental form or an iodine matrix in the regular course of  
9 employment at the hospital.

10 (4) Any person who purchases any quantity of iodine in its  
11 elemental form, an iodine matrix, or any quantity of  
12 methylsulfonylmethane must present an identification card or driver's  
13 license issued by any state in the United States or jurisdiction of  
14 another country before purchasing the item.

15 (5) The Washington state patrol shall develop a form to be used  
16 in recording transactions involving iodine in its elemental form, an  
17 iodine matrix, or methylsulfonylmethane. A person who sells or  
18 otherwise transfers any quantity of iodine in its elemental form, an  
19 iodine matrix, or any quantity of methylsulfonylmethane to a person  
20 for any purpose authorized in subsection (3) of this section must  
21 record each sale or transfer. The record must be made on the form  
22 developed by the Washington state patrol and must be retained by the  
23 person for at least three years. The Washington state patrol or any  
24 local law enforcement agency may request access to the records.

25 (a) Failure to make or retain a record required under this  
26 subsection is a misdemeanor.

27 (b) Failure to comply with a request for access to records  
28 required under this subsection to the Washington state patrol or a  
29 local law enforcement agency is a misdemeanor.

30 **Sec. 5.** RCW 69.45.010 and 2013 c 19 s 81 are each reenacted and  
31 amended to read as follows:

32 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

33 (1) "Commission" means the pharmacy quality assurance commission.

34 (2) "Controlled substance" means a drug, substance, or immediate  
35 precursor of such drug or substance, so designated under or pursuant  
36 to chapter 69.50 RCW, the uniform controlled substances act.

37 (3) "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive, or  
38 attempted transfer from one person to another of a drug or device,  
39 whether or not there is an agency relationship.

- 1 (4) "Department" means the department of health.
- 2 (5) "Dispense" means the interpretation of a prescription or  
3 order for a drug, biological, or device and, pursuant to that  
4 prescription or order, the proper selection, measuring, compounding,  
5 labeling, or packaging necessary to prepare that prescription or  
6 order for delivery.
- 7 (6) "Distribute" means to deliver, other than by administering or  
8 dispensing, a legend drug.
- 9 (7) "Drug samples" means any federal food and drug administration  
10 approved controlled substance, legend drug, or products requiring  
11 prescriptions in this state, which is distributed at no charge to a  
12 practitioner by a manufacturer or a manufacturer's representative,  
13 exclusive of drugs under clinical investigations approved by the  
14 federal food and drug administration.
- 15 (8) "Legend drug" means any drug that is required by state law or  
16 by regulations of the commission to be dispensed on prescription only  
17 or is restricted to use by practitioners only.
- 18 (9) "Manufacturer" means a person or other entity engaged in the  
19 manufacture or distribution of drugs or devices, but does not include  
20 a manufacturer's representative.
- 21 (10) "Manufacturer's representative" means an agent or employee  
22 of a drug manufacturer who is authorized by the drug manufacturer to  
23 possess drug samples for the purpose of distribution in this state to  
24 appropriately authorized health care practitioners.
- 25 (11) "Person" means any individual, corporation, government or  
26 governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust,  
27 partnership, association, or any other legal entity.
- 28 (12) "Practitioner" means a physician under chapter 18.71 RCW, an  
29 osteopathic physician or an osteopathic physician and surgeon under  
30 chapter 18.57 RCW, a dentist under chapter 18.32 RCW, a podiatric  
31 physician and surgeon under chapter 18.22 RCW, a naturopathic  
32 physician under chapter 18.36A RCW, a veterinarian under chapter  
33 18.92 RCW, a pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW, a commissioned  
34 medical or dental officer in the United States armed forces or the  
35 public health service in the discharge of his or her official duties,  
36 a duly licensed physician or dentist employed by the veterans  
37 administration in the discharge of his or her official duties, a  
38 registered nurse or advanced registered nurse practitioner under  
39 chapter 18.79 RCW when authorized to prescribe by the nursing care  
40 quality assurance commission, an osteopathic physician assistant

1 under chapter 18.57A RCW when authorized by the board of osteopathic  
2 medicine and surgery, or a physician assistant under chapter 18.71A  
3 RCW when authorized by the medical quality assurance commission.

4 (13) "Reasonable cause" means a state of facts found to exist  
5 that would warrant a reasonably intelligent and prudent person to  
6 believe that a person has violated state or federal drug laws or  
7 regulations.

8 (14) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's  
9 designee.

10 **Sec. 6.** RCW 69.50.101 and 2014 c 192 s 1 are each amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, definitions of  
13 terms shall be as indicated where used in this chapter:

14 (a) "Administer" means to apply a controlled substance, whether  
15 by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, directly to  
16 the body of a patient or research subject by:

17 (1) a practitioner authorized to prescribe (or, by the  
18 practitioner's authorized agent); or

19 (2) the patient or research subject at the direction and in the  
20 presence of the practitioner.

21 (b) "Agent" means an authorized person who acts on behalf of or  
22 at the direction of a manufacturer, distributor, or dispenser. It  
23 does not include a common or contract carrier, public  
24 warehouseperson, or employee of the carrier or warehouseperson.

25 (c) "Commission" means the pharmacy quality assurance commission.

26 (d) "Controlled substance" means a drug, substance, or immediate  
27 precursor included in Schedules I through V as set forth in federal  
28 or state laws, or federal or commission rules.

29 (e)(1) "Controlled substance analog" means a substance the  
30 chemical structure of which is substantially similar to the chemical  
31 structure of a controlled substance in Schedule I or II and:

32 (i) that has a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on  
33 the central nervous system substantially similar to the stimulant,  
34 depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of  
35 a controlled substance included in Schedule I or II; or

36 (ii) with respect to a particular individual, that the individual  
37 represents or intends to have a stimulant, depressant, or  
38 hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system substantially  
39 similar to the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the



1 central nervous system of a controlled substance included in Schedule  
2 I or II.

3 (2) The term does not include:

4 (i) a controlled substance;

5 (ii) a substance for which there is an approved new drug  
6 application;

7 (iii) a substance with respect to which an exemption is in effect  
8 for investigational use by a particular person under Section 505 of  
9 the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. Sec. 355, to the  
10 extent conduct with respect to the substance is pursuant to the  
11 exemption; or

12 (iv) any substance to the extent not intended for human  
13 consumption before an exemption takes effect with respect to the  
14 substance.

15 (f) "Deliver" or "delivery," means the actual or constructive  
16 transfer from one person to another of a substance, whether or not  
17 there is an agency relationship.

18 (g) "Department" means the department of health.

19 (h) "Dispense" means the interpretation of a prescription or  
20 order for a controlled substance and, pursuant to that prescription  
21 or order, the proper selection, measuring, compounding, labeling, or  
22 packaging necessary to prepare that prescription or order for  
23 delivery.

24 (i) "Dispenser" means a practitioner who dispenses.

25 (j) "Distribute" means to deliver other than by administering or  
26 dispensing a controlled substance.

27 (k) "Distributor" means a person who distributes.

28 (l) "Drug" means (1) a controlled substance recognized as a drug  
29 in the official United States pharmacopoeia/national formulary or the  
30 official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or any  
31 supplement to them; (2) controlled substances intended for use in the  
32 diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in  
33 individuals or animals; (3) controlled substances (other than food)  
34 intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of  
35 individuals or animals; and (4) controlled substances intended for  
36 use as a component of any article specified in (1), (2), or (3) of  
37 this subsection. The term does not include devices or their  
38 components, parts, or accessories.

1 (m) "Drug enforcement administration" means the drug enforcement  
2 administration in the United States Department of Justice, or its  
3 successor agency.

4 (n) "Electronic communication of prescription information" means  
5 the transmission of a prescription or refill authorization for a drug  
6 of a practitioner using computer systems. The term does not include a  
7 prescription or refill authorization verbally transmitted by  
8 telephone nor a facsimile manually signed by the practitioner.

9 (o) "Immediate precursor" means a substance:

10 (1) that the commission has found to be and by rule designates as  
11 being the principal compound commonly used, or produced primarily for  
12 use, in the manufacture of a controlled substance;

13 (2) that is an immediate chemical intermediary used or likely to  
14 be used in the manufacture of a controlled substance; and

15 (3) the control of which is necessary to prevent, curtail, or  
16 limit the manufacture of the controlled substance.

17 (p) "Isomer" means an optical isomer, but in subsection (z)(5) of  
18 this section, RCW 69.50.204(a) (12) and (34), and 69.50.206(b)(4),  
19 the term includes any geometrical isomer; in RCW 69.50.204(a) (8) and  
20 (42), and 69.50.210(c) the term includes any positional isomer; and  
21 in RCW 69.50.204(a)(35), 69.50.204(c), and 69.50.208(a) the term  
22 includes any positional or geometric isomer.

23 (q) "Lot" means a definite quantity of marijuana, useable  
24 marijuana, or marijuana-infused product identified by a lot number,  
25 every portion or package of which is uniform within recognized  
26 tolerances for the factors that appear in the labeling.

27 (r) "Lot number" shall identify the licensee by business or trade  
28 name and Washington state unified business identifier number, and the  
29 date of harvest or processing for each lot of marijuana, useable  
30 marijuana, or marijuana-infused product.

31 (s) "Manufacture" means the production, preparation, propagation,  
32 compounding, conversion, or processing of a controlled substance,  
33 either directly or indirectly or by extraction from substances of  
34 natural origin, or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or  
35 by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis, and includes  
36 any packaging or repackaging of the substance or labeling or  
37 relabeling of its container. The term does not include the  
38 preparation, compounding, packaging, repackaging, labeling, or  
39 relabeling of a controlled substance:

1 (1) by a practitioner as an incident to the practitioner's  
2 administering or dispensing of a controlled substance in the course  
3 of the practitioner's professional practice; or

4 (2) by a practitioner, or by the practitioner's authorized agent  
5 under the practitioner's supervision, for the purpose of, or as an  
6 incident to, research, teaching, or chemical analysis and not for  
7 sale.

8 (t) "Marijuana" or "marihuana" means all parts of the plant  
9 Cannabis, whether growing or not, with a THC concentration greater  
10 than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis; the seeds thereof; the resin  
11 extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound,  
12 manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant,  
13 its seeds or resin. The term does not include the mature stalks of  
14 the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the  
15 seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt,  
16 derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks (except the  
17 resin extracted therefrom), fiber, oil, or cake, or the sterilized  
18 seed of the plant which is incapable of germination.

19 (u) "Marijuana concentrates" means products consisting wholly or  
20 in part of the resin extracted from any part of the plant Cannabis  
21 and having a THC concentration greater than sixty percent.

22 (v) "Marijuana processor" means a person licensed by the state  
23 liquor control board to process marijuana into useable marijuana and  
24 marijuana-infused products, package and label useable marijuana and  
25 marijuana-infused products for sale in retail outlets, and sell  
26 useable marijuana and marijuana-infused products at wholesale to  
27 marijuana retailers.

28 (w) "Marijuana producer" means a person licensed by the state  
29 liquor control board to produce and sell marijuana at wholesale to  
30 marijuana processors and other marijuana producers.

31 (x) "Marijuana-infused products" means products that contain  
32 marijuana or marijuana extracts, are intended for human use, and have  
33 a THC concentration greater than 0.3 percent and no greater than  
34 sixty percent. The term "marijuana-infused products" does not include  
35 either useable marijuana or marijuana concentrates.

36 (y) "Marijuana retailer" means a person licensed by the state  
37 liquor control board to sell useable marijuana and marijuana-infused  
38 products in a retail outlet.

39 (z) "Narcotic drug" means any of the following, whether produced  
40 directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of vegetable

1 origin, or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a  
2 combination of extraction and chemical synthesis:

3 (1) Opium, opium derivative, and any derivative of opium or opium  
4 derivative, including their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers,  
5 whenever the existence of the salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is  
6 possible within the specific chemical designation. The term does not  
7 include the isoquinoline alkaloids of opium.

8 (2) Synthetic opiate and any derivative of synthetic opiate,  
9 including their isomers, esters, ethers, salts, and salts of isomers,  
10 esters, and ethers, whenever the existence of the isomers, esters,  
11 ethers, and salts is possible within the specific chemical  
12 designation.

13 (3) Poppy straw and concentrate of poppy straw.

14 (4) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves  
15 from which cocaine, ecgonine, and derivatives or ecgonine or their  
16 salts have been removed.

17 (5) Cocaine, or any salt, isomer, or salt of isomer thereof.

18 (6) Cocaine base.

19 (7) Ecgonine, or any derivative, salt, isomer, or salt of isomer  
20 thereof.

21 (8) Any compound, mixture, or preparation containing any quantity  
22 of any substance referred to in subparagraphs (1) through (7).

23 (aa) "Opiate" means any substance having an addiction-forming or  
24 addiction-sustaining liability similar to morphine or being capable  
25 of conversion into a drug having addiction-forming or addiction-  
26 sustaining liability. The term includes opium, substances derived  
27 from opium (opium derivatives), and synthetic opiates. The term does  
28 not include, unless specifically designated as controlled under RCW  
29 69.50.201, the dextrorotatory isomer of 3-methoxy-n-methylmorphinan  
30 and its salts (dextromethorphan). The term includes the racemic and  
31 levorotatory forms of dextromethorphan.

32 (bb) "Opium poppy" means the plant of the species *Papaver*  
33 *somniferum* L., except its seeds.

34 (cc) "Person" means individual, corporation, business trust,  
35 estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government,  
36 governmental subdivision or agency, or any other legal or commercial  
37 entity.

38 (dd) "Poppy straw" means all parts, except the seeds, of the  
39 opium poppy, after mowing.

40 (ee) "Practitioner" means:

1 (1) A physician under chapter 18.71 RCW; a physician assistant  
2 under chapter 18.71A RCW; an osteopathic physician and surgeon under  
3 chapter 18.57 RCW; a naturopathic physician under chapter 18.36A RCW,  
4 subject to any limitations in section 2 of this act; an osteopathic  
5 physician assistant under chapter 18.57A RCW who is licensed under  
6 RCW 18.57A.020 subject to any limitations in RCW 18.57A.040; an  
7 optometrist licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW who is certified by the  
8 optometry board under RCW 18.53.010 subject to any limitations in RCW  
9 18.53.010; a dentist under chapter 18.32 RCW; a podiatric physician  
10 and surgeon under chapter 18.22 RCW; a veterinarian under chapter  
11 18.92 RCW; a registered nurse, advanced registered nurse  
12 practitioner, or licensed practical nurse under chapter 18.79 RCW;  
13 ~~((a naturopathic physician under chapter 18.36A RCW who is licensed~~  
14 ~~under RCW 18.36A.030 subject to any limitations in RCW 18.36A.040;))~~  
15 a pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW or a scientific investigator  
16 under this chapter, licensed, registered or otherwise permitted  
17 insofar as is consistent with those licensing laws to distribute,  
18 dispense, conduct research with respect to or administer a controlled  
19 substance in the course of their professional practice or research in  
20 this state.

21 (2) A pharmacy, hospital or other institution licensed,  
22 registered, or otherwise permitted to distribute, dispense, conduct  
23 research with respect to or to administer a controlled substance in  
24 the course of professional practice or research in this state.

25 (3) A physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery, a  
26 physician licensed to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery, a  
27 dentist licensed to practice dentistry, a podiatric physician and  
28 surgeon licensed to practice podiatric medicine and surgery, a  
29 licensed physician assistant or a licensed osteopathic physician  
30 assistant specifically approved to prescribe controlled substances by  
31 his or her state's medical quality assurance commission or equivalent  
32 and his or her supervising physician, an advanced registered nurse  
33 practitioner licensed to prescribe controlled substances, a  
34 naturopathic physician licensed to prescribe controlled substances,  
35 or a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine in any  
36 state of the United States.

37 (ff) "Prescription" means an order for controlled substances  
38 issued by a practitioner duly authorized by law or rule in the state  
39 of Washington to prescribe controlled substances within the scope of  
40 his or her professional practice for a legitimate medical purpose.

1 (gg) "Production" includes the manufacturing, planting,  
2 cultivating, growing, or harvesting of a controlled substance.

3 (hh) "Retail outlet" means a location licensed by the state  
4 liquor control board for the retail sale of useable marijuana and  
5 marijuana-infused products.

6 (ii) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's  
7 designee.

8 (jj) "State," unless the context otherwise requires, means a  
9 state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the  
10 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory or insular possession  
11 subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

12 (kk) "THC concentration" means percent of delta-9  
13 tetrahydrocannabinol content per dry weight of any part of the plant  
14 *Cannabis*, or per volume or weight of marijuana product, or the  
15 combined percent of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol and  
16 tetrahydrocannabinolic acid in any part of the plant *Cannabis*  
17 regardless of moisture content.

18 (ll) "Ultimate user" means an individual who lawfully possesses a  
19 controlled substance for the individual's own use or for the use of a  
20 member of the individual's household or for administering to an  
21 animal owned by the individual or by a member of the individual's  
22 household.

23 (mm) "Useable marijuana" means dried marijuana flowers. The term  
24 "useable marijuana" does not include either marijuana-infused  
25 products or marijuana concentrates.

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