
HOUSE BILL 3170

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1 AN ACT Relating to refilling prescriptions of inmates released from
2 jails and state correctional facilities; and amending RCW 69.41.190.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 69.41.190 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 29 s 5 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Any pharmacist filling a prescription under a state purchased
7 health care program as defined in RCW 41.05.011(2) shall substitute,
8 where identified, a preferred drug for any nonpreferred drug in a given
9 therapeutic class, unless the endorsing practitioner has indicated on
10 the prescription that the nonpreferred drug must be dispensed as
11 written, or the prescription is for a refill of an antipsychotic,
12 antidepressant, chemotherapy, antiretroviral, or immunosuppressive
13 drug, in which case the pharmacist shall dispense the prescribed
14 nonpreferred drug. As used in this subsection, "refill" includes a
15 prescription authorized by a prescriber for an inmate after the inmate
16 is released from a jail or state correctional facility.

17 (2) When a substitution is made under subsection (1) of this

1 section, the dispensing pharmacist shall notify the prescribing
2 practitioner of the specific drug and dose dispensed.

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