



1 emergency services at any hospital in the State, shall refill  
2 any prescription for any opioid painkiller that has been lost,  
3 stolen, or destroyed.

4 § -4 Exemptions. (a) This chapter shall not apply to  
5 emergency room treatment of:

6 (1) Any serious illness, disease, or condition such as  
7 cancer; or

8 (2) Any other illness, disease, or condition that requires  
9 palliative care.

10 (b) This chapter shall not apply to prescriptions made  
11 outside of an emergency room.

12 § -5 Penalties. Any person who violates this chapter  
13 shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than  
14 one year, or both."

15 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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**Report Title:**

Prescriptions; Hospitals; Emergency Rooms

**Description:**

Prohibits doctors, nurses, and physician's assistants from prescribing long-acting opioid painkillers in emergency rooms. Prohibits doctors, nurses, and physician's assistants in emergency rooms from prescribing more than a seven-day supply of opioid painkillers other than long-acting opioid painkillers. Prohibits doctors, nurses, and physician's assistants in emergency rooms from refilling prescriptions for opioid painkillers that have been lost, stolen, or destroyed. Establishes exceptions. Effective July 1, 2050. (SD1)

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