

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

April 8, 2026  
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB26-006 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 7, after "(2.5)" insert "(a)".
- 2 Page 2, line 9, strike "(a)" and substitute "(I)".
- 3 Page 3, strike lines 2 through 4 and substitute:  
4       "(II) THERE IS AT LEAST ONE NON-OPIOID PRESCRIPTION DRUG  
5 AVAILABLE AS A CLINICALLY APPROPRIATE ALTERNATIVE FOR AN OPIOID  
6 PRESCRIPTION DRUG; AND".
- 7 Page 3, line 5, strike "(c)" and substitute "(III)".
- 8 Page 3, after line 9 insert:  
9       "(b) THIS SUBSECTION (2.5) DOES NOT APPLY TO A GROUP BENEFIT  
10 PLAN ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE "STATE EMPLOYEE GROUP BENEFITS  
11 ACT", PART 6 OF ARTICLE 50 OF TITLE 24."
- 12 Page 3, strike lines 10 through 27.
- 13 Page 4, strike lines 1 through 8.
- 14 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.