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**SENATE BILL 22-143**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING AN UPDATE TO TERMINOLOGY USED TO REFER TO THE**  
102 **REGULATORY ENTITY WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF**  
103 **REGULATORY AGENCIES THAT REGULATES PARTICULAR**  
104 **HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONS.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)*

**Statutory Revision Committee.** The bill strikes references in a common health-care provision in title 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes to "applicable licensing board" and "board" and replaces those references

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE  
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March 17, 2022

SENATE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
March 16, 2022

with the term "regulator", which is defined, for purposes of the regulation of professions and occupations under title 12, as the entity with regulatory authority concerning a particular profession or occupation.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-30-114, **amend**  
3 (1) as follows:

4 **12-30-114. Demonstrated competency - opiate prescribers -**  
5 **rules - definition.** (1) (a) The ~~applicable licensing board~~ REGULATOR for  
6 each licensed health-care provider, in consultation with the center for  
7 research into substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery  
8 support strategies created in section 27-80-118, shall promulgate rules  
9 that require each licensed health-care provider, as a condition of  
10 renewing, reactivating, or reinstating a license on or after October 1,  
11 2022, to complete up to four credit hours of training per licensing cycle  
12 in order to demonstrate competency regarding:

13 (I) Best practices for opioid prescribing, according to the most  
14 recent version of the division's guidelines for the safe prescribing and  
15 dispensing of opioids;

16 (II) The potential harm of inappropriately limiting prescriptions  
17 to chronic pain patients;

18 (III) Best practices for prescribing benzodiazepines;

19 (IV) Recognition of substance use disorders;

20 (V) Referral of patients with substance use disorders for  
21 treatment; and

22 (VI) The use of the electronic prescription drug monitoring  
23 program created in part 4 of article 280 of this title 12.

24 (b) The rules promulgated by each ~~board~~ REGULATOR shall exempt

1 a licensed health-care provider who:

2 (I) Maintains a national board certification that requires equivalent  
3 substance use prevention training; or

4 (II) Attests to the ~~appropriate board~~ REGULATOR that the  
5 health-care provider does not prescribe opioids.

6 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
7 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
8 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
9 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
10 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
11 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
12 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
13 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
14 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.