

SENATE BILL No. 151

DIGEST OF SB 151 (Updated February 1, 2017 11:53 am - DI 104)

Citations Affected: IC 35-48; noncode.

Synopsis: Information in INSPECT prescription drug data base. Requires the ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and controlled substance prescription monitoring program to include an entry for a dispenser to indicate, when applicable, if a patient has entered into a pain management contract with a designated practitioner. Allows the management performance hub and the state epidemiologist to obtain information from the INSPECT program. Requires that the information provided to the management performance hub not include personally identifying information. Requires the professional licensing agency (agency) to establish a workgroup consisting of emergency medical technicians, registered nurses, paramedics, pharmacists, physicians, and law enforcement officers for the purpose of evaluating the cost and feasability of cataloging: (1) each administration of an overdose intervention drug by an emergency medical services provider; and (2) data related to certain controlled substance investigations by law enforcement; in the INSPECT data base. Requires the agency to provide: (1) statutory recommendations; and (2) a written report; to the legislative council not later than December 1, 2017.

Effective: July 1, 2017.

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January 4, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

February 2, 2017, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.



First Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2017)

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SENATE BILL No. 151

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 35-48-7-8.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.5-2016,
2	SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 8.1. (a) The board shall provide for an ephedrine,
4	pseudoephedrine, and controlled substance prescription monitoring
5	program that includes the following components:
6	(1) Each time ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled
7	substance designated by the board under IC 35-48-2-5 through
8	IC 35-48-2-10 is dispensed, the dispenser shall transmit to the
9	INSPECT program the following information:
10	(A) The ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance
11	recipient's name.
12	(B) The ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance
13	recipient's or the recipient representative's identification
14	number or the identification number or phrase designated by
15	the INSPECT program.
16	(C) The ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance
17	recipient's date of birth.



1	(D) The national drug code number of the ephedrine,
2	pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance dispensed.
3	(E) The date the ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled
4	substance is dispensed.
5	(F) The quantity of the ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or
6	controlled substance dispensed.
7	(G) The number of days of supply dispensed.
8	(H) The dispenser's United States Drug Enforcement Agency
9	registration number.
10	(I) The prescriber's United States Drug Enforcement Agency
11	registration number.
12	(J) An indication as to whether the prescription was
13	transmitted to the pharmacist orally or in writing.
14	(K) Other data required by the board.
15	(2) The information required to be transmitted under this section
16	must be transmitted as follows:
17	(A) Before July 1, 2015, not more than seven (7) days after the
18	date on which ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled
19	substance is dispensed.
20	(B) Beginning July 1, 2015, and until December 31, 2015, not
21	more than three (3) days after the date on which ephedrine,
22	pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance is dispensed.
23	(C) Beginning January 1, 2016, and thereafter, not more than
24	twenty-four (24) hours after the date on which ephedrine,
25	pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance is dispensed.
26	However, if the dispenser's pharmacy is closed the day
27	following the dispensing, the information must be transmitted
28	by the end of the next business day.
29	(3) A dispenser shall transmit the information required under this
30	section by:
31	(A) uploading to the INSPECT web site;
32	(B) a computer diskette; or
33	(C) a CD-ROM disk;
34	that meets specifications prescribed by the board.
35	(4) The board may require that prescriptions for ephedrine,
36	pseudoephedrine, or controlled substances be written on a one (1)
37	part form that cannot be duplicated. However, the board may not
38	apply such a requirement to prescriptions filled at a pharmacy
39	with a Category II permit (as described in IC 25-26-13-17) and
40	operated by a hospital licensed under IC 16-21, or prescriptions
41	ordered for and dispensed to bona fide enrolled patients in

facilities licensed under IC 16-28. The board may not require



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1	multiple copy prescription forms for any prescriptions written.
2	The board may not require different prescription forms for any
3	individual drug or group of drugs. Prescription forms required
4	under this subdivision must be approved by the Indiana board of
5	pharmacy established by IC 25-26-13-3.
6	(5) The costs of the program.
7	(6) As part of the information to be completed in the data base
8	and if available, an entry where a dispenser indicates that a
9	patient is participating in a pain management contract with
10	a designated practitioner.
11	(b) The board shall consider the recommendations of the committee
12	concerning the INSPECT program.
13	(c) This subsection applies only to a retail pharmacy. A pharmacist.

- (c) This subsection applies only to a retail pharmacy. A pharmacist, pharmacy technician, or person authorized by a pharmacist to dispense ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance may not dispense ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance to a person who is not personally known to the pharmacist, pharmacy technician, or person authorized by a pharmacist to dispense a controlled substance unless the person taking possession of the ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance provides documented proof of the person's identification to the pharmacist, pharmacy technician, or person authorized by a pharmacist to dispense ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.
- SECTION 2. IC 35-48-7-11.1, AS AMENDED BY THE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2017 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 11.1. (a) Information received by the INSPECT program under section 8.1 of this chapter is confidential.
- (b) The board shall carry out a program to protect the confidentiality of the information described in subsection (a). The board may disclose the information to another person only under subsection (c), (d), or (g).
- (c) The board may disclose confidential information described in subsection (a) to any person who is authorized to engage in receiving, processing, or storing the information.
- (d) Except as provided in subsections (e) and (f), the board may release confidential information described in subsection (a) to the following persons:
 - (1) A member of the board or another governing body that licenses practitioners and is engaged in an investigation, an adjudication, or a prosecution of a violation under any state or federal law that involves ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.



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1	(2) An investigator for the consumer protection division of the
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3	general, a deputy attorney general, or an investigator from the
4	office of the attorney general, who is engaged in:
5	(A) an investigation;
6	(B) an adjudication; or
7	(C) a prosecution;
8	of a violation under any state or federal law that involves
9	ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.
10	(3) A law enforcement officer who is an employee of:
11	(A) a local, state, or federal law enforcement agency; or
12	(B) an entity that regulates ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or
13	controlled substances or enforces ephedrine, pseudoephedrine,
14	or controlled substances rules or laws in another state;
15	that is certified to receive ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or
16	controlled substance prescription drug information from the
17	INSPECT program.
18	(4) A practitioner or practitioner's agent certified to receive
19	information from the INSPECT program.
20	(5) An ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance
21	monitoring program in another state with which Indiana has
22	established an interoperability agreement.
23	(6) The state toxicologist.
24	(7) A certified representative of the Medicaid retrospective and
25	prospective drug utilization review program.
26	(8) A substance abuse assistance program for a licensed health
27	care provider who:
28	(A) has prescriptive authority under IC 25; and
29	(B) is participating in the assistance program.
30	(9) An individual who holds a valid temporary medical permit
31	issued under IC 25-22.5-5-4 or a temporary fellowship permit
32	issued under IC 25-22.5-5-4.6.
33	(10) Beginning July 1, 2016, a county coroner conducting a
34	medical investigation of the cause of death.
35	(11) The management performance hub established by
36	Indiana Executive Order 14-06 and continued by Executive
37	Order 17-09.
38	(12) The state epidemiologist under the state department of
39	health.
40	(e) Information provided to an individual under:
41	(1) subsection (d)(3) is limited to information:
42	(A) concerning an individual or proceeding involving the



1	unlawful diversion or misuse of a schedule II, III, IV, or V
2	controlled substance; and
3	(B) that will assist in an investigation or proceeding; and
4	(2) subsection (d)(4) may be released only for the purpose of:
5	(A) providing medical or pharmaceutical treatment; or
6	(B) evaluating the need for providing medical or
7	pharmaceutical treatment to a patient; and
8	(3) subsection (d)(11) may not include personally identifying
9	information of the individuals included in the data base.
10	(f) Before the board releases confidential information under
11	subsection (d), the applicant must be approved by the INSPECT
12	program in a manner prescribed by the board.
13	(g) The board may release to:
14	(1) a member of the board or another governing body that licenses
15	practitioners;
16	(2) an investigator for the consumer protection division of the
17	office of the attorney general, a prosecuting attorney, the attorney
18	general, a deputy attorney general, or an investigator from the
19	office of the attorney general; or
20	(3) a law enforcement officer who is:
21	(A) authorized by the state police department to receive
22	ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or controlled substance
23	prescription drug information; and
24	(B) approved by the board to receive the type of information
25	released;
26	confidential information generated from computer records that
27	identifies practitioners who are prescribing or dispensing large
28	quantities of a controlled substance.
29	(h) The information described in subsection (g) may not be released
30	until it has been reviewed by:
31	(1) a member of the board who is licensed in the same profession
32	as the prescribing or dispensing practitioner identified by the data;
33	or
34	(2) the board's designee;
35	and until that member or the designee has certified that further
36	investigation is warranted. However, failure to comply with this
37	subsection does not invalidate the use of any evidence that is otherwise
38	admissible in a proceeding described in subsection (i).
39	(i) An investigator or a law enforcement officer receiving
40	confidential information under subsection (c), (d), or (g) may disclose
41	the information to a law enforcement officer or an attorney for the

office of the attorney general for use as evidence in the following:



1	(1) A proceeding under IC 16-42-20.
2	(2) A proceeding under any state or federal law that involves
3	ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.
4	(3) A criminal proceeding or a proceeding in juvenile court that
5	involves ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.
6	(j) The board may compile statistical reports from the information
7	described in subsection (a). The reports must not include information
8	that identifies any practitioner, ultimate user, or other person
9	administering ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance.
10	Statistical reports compiled under this subsection are public records.
11	(k) Except as provided in IC 25-22.5-13, this section may not be
12	construed to require a practitioner to obtain information about a patient
13	from the data base.
14	(1) A practitioner who checks the INSPECT program for the
15	available data on a patient is immune from civil liability for an injury,
16	death, or loss to a person solely due to a practitioner:
17	(1) seeking or not seeking information from the INSPECT
18	program; and
19	(2) in good faith using the information for the treatment of the
20	patient.
21	The civil immunity described in this subsection does not extend to a
22	practitioner if the practitioner receives information directly from the
23	INSPECT program and then negligently misuses this information. This
24	subsection does not apply to an act or omission that is a result of gross
25	negligence or intentional misconduct.
26	(m) The board may review the records of the INSPECT program. If
27	the board determines that a violation of the law may have occurred, the
28	board shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency or the
29	relevant government body responsible for the licensure, regulation, or
30	discipline of practitioners authorized by law to prescribe controlled
31	substances.
32	(n) A practitioner who in good faith discloses information based on
33	a report from the INSPECT program to a law enforcement agency is
34	immune from criminal or civil liability. A practitioner that discloses
35	information to a law enforcement agency under this subsection is
36	presumed to have acted in good faith.
37	(o) A practitioner's agent may act as a delegate and check
38	INSPECT program reports on behalf of the practitioner.
39	(p) A patient may access a report from the INSPECT program that
40	has been included in the patient's medical file by a practitioner.
41	SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017] (a) As used in this

SECTION, "agency" means the Indiana professional licensing



1	agency.
2	(b) As used in this SECTION, "emergency medical services
3	provider" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-41-10-1.
4	(c) As used in this SECTION, "emergency medical technician"
5	has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-112.
6	(d) As used in this SECTION, "INSPECT" has the meaning set
7	forth in IC 35-48-7-5.2.
8	(e) As used in this SECTION, "law enforcement officer" means
9	a:
10	(1) constable;
l 1	(2) correctional police officer;
12	(3) police officer;
13	(4) sheriff;
14	(5) marshal; or
15	(6) deputy of any of the individuals described in subdivisions
16	(1) through (5).
17	(f) As used in this SECTION, "opiate" has the meaning set forth
18	in IC 35-48-1-21.
19	(g) As used in this SECTION, "overdose intervention drug" has
20	the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-263.9.
21	(h) As used in this SECTION, "paramedic" has the meaning set
22	forth in IC 16-18-2-266.
23	(i) As used in this SECTION, "pharmacist" has the meaning set
24	forth in IC 16-18-2-281.
25	(j) As used in this SECTION, "physician" has the meaning set
26	forth in IC 16-18-2-282.
27	(k) As used in this SECTION, "registered nurse" has the
28	meaning set forth in IC 25-23-1-1.1.
29	(I) The agency shall establish a workgroup consisting of:
30	(1) emergency medical technicians;
31	(2) law enforcement officers;
32	(3) registered nurses;
33	(4) paramedics;
34	(5) pharmacists; and
35	(6) physicians.
36	(m) The workgroup described in subsection (l) shall evaluate the
37	cost and feasability of using the INSPECT data base to:
38	(1) catalog each emergency administration of an overdose
39	intervention drug by an emergency medical services provider;
10	and
11	(2) catalog data related to law enforcement investigations
12	involving both:



1	(A) a controlled substance that is not an opiate; and
2	(B) one (1) more of the following occurrences:
3	(i) Death.
4	(ii) Overdose.
5	(iii) Forgery.
6	(iv) Fraud.
7	(v) Theft.
8	(n) Not later than December 1, 2017, the agency shall submit:
9	(1) any statutory recommendations; and
10	(2) a written report of the workgroup's findings;
11	to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
12	(o) This SECTION expires December 31, 2017.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 151, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 3, after line 23, begin a new paragraph and insert:

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- (d) Except as provided in subsections (e) and (f), the board may release confidential information described in subsection (a) to the following persons:
 - (1) A member of the board or another governing body that licenses practitioners and is engaged in an investigation, an adjudication, or a prosecution of a violation under any state or federal law that involves *ephedrine*, *pseudoephedrine*, *or* a controlled substance.
 - (2) An investigator for the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general, a prosecuting attorney, the attorney general, a deputy attorney general, or an investigator from the office of the attorney general, who is engaged in:
 - (A) an investigation;
 - (B) an adjudication; or
 - (C) a prosecution;
 - of a violation under any state or federal law that involves *ephedrine*, *pseudoephedrine*, *or* a controlled substance.
 - (3) A law enforcement officer who is an employee of:
 - (A) a local, state, or federal law enforcement agency; or
 - (B) an entity that regulates *ephedrine*, *pseudoephedrine*, *or* controlled substances or enforces *ephedrine*, *pseudoephedrine*, *or* controlled substances rules or laws in another state;

that is certified to receive ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or



- controlled substance prescription drug information from the INSPECT program.
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- (e) Information provided to an individual under:
 - (1) subsection (d)(3) is limited to information:
 - (A) concerning an individual or proceeding involving the unlawful diversion or misuse of a schedule II, III, IV, or V controlled substance; and
 - (B) that will assist in an investigation or proceeding; and
 - (2) subsection (d)(4) may be released only for the purpose of:
 - (A) providing medical or pharmaceutical treatment; or
 - (B) evaluating the need for providing medical or pharmaceutical treatment to a patient; **and**
 - (3) subsection (d)(11) may not include personally identifying information of the individuals included in the data base.
- (f) Before the board releases confidential information under subsection (d), the applicant must be approved by the INSPECT program in a manner prescribed by the board.
 - (g) The board may release to:
 - (1) a member of the board or another governing body that licenses practitioners;



- (2) an investigator for the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general, a prosecuting attorney, the attorney general, a deputy attorney general, or an investigator from the office of the attorney general; or
- (3) a law enforcement officer who is:
 - (A) authorized by the state police department to receive *ephedrine*, *pseudoephedrine*, *or* controlled substance prescription drug information; and
 - (B) approved by the board to receive the type of information released;

confidential information generated from computer records that identifies practitioners who are prescribing or dispensing large quantities of a controlled substance.

- (h) The information described in subsection (g) may not be released until it has been reviewed by:
 - (1) a member of the board who is licensed in the same profession as the prescribing or dispensing practitioner identified by the data; or
 - (2) the board's designee;

and until that member or the designee has certified that further investigation is warranted. However, failure to comply with this subsection does not invalidate the use of any evidence that is otherwise admissible in a proceeding described in subsection (i).

- (i) An investigator or a law enforcement officer receiving confidential information under subsection (c), (d), or (g) may disclose the information to a law enforcement officer or an attorney for the office of the attorney general for use as evidence in the following:
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- (k) Except as provided in IC 25-22.5-13, this section may not be construed to require a practitioner to obtain information about a patient from the data base.
- (l) A practitioner who checks the INSPECT program for the available data on a patient is immune from civil liability for an injury,



death, or loss to a person solely due to a practitioner:

- (1) seeking or not seeking information from the INSPECT program; and
- (2) in good faith using the information for the treatment of the patient.

The civil immunity described in this subsection does not extend to a practitioner if the practitioner receives information directly from the INSPECT program and then negligently misuses this information. This subsection does not apply to an act or omission that is a result of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

- (m) The board may review the records of the INSPECT program. If the board determines that a violation of the law may have occurred, the board shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency or the relevant government body responsible for the licensure, regulation, or discipline of practitioners authorized by law to prescribe controlled substances.
- (n) A practitioner who in good faith discloses information based on a report from the INSPECT program to a law enforcement agency is immune from criminal or civil liability. A practitioner that discloses information to a law enforcement agency under this subsection is presumed to have acted in good faith.
- (o) A practitioner's agent may act as a delegate and check INSPECT program reports on behalf of the practitioner.
- (p) A patient may access a report from the INSPECT program that has been included in the patient's medical file by a practitioner.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017] (a) As used in this SECTION, "agency" means the Indiana professional licensing agency.

- (b) As used in this SECTION, "emergency medical services provider" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-41-10-1.
- (c) As used in this SECTION, "emergency medical technician" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-112.
- (d) As used in this SECTION, "INSPECT" has the meaning set forth in IC 35-48-7-5.2.
- (e) As used in this SECTION, "law enforcement officer" means a:
 - (1) constable;
 - (2) correctional police officer;
 - (3) police officer;
 - (4) sheriff;
 - (5) marshal; or
 - (6) deputy of any of the individuals described in subdivisions



- (1) through (5).
- (f) As used in this SECTION, "opiate" has the meaning set forth in IC 35-48-1-21.
- (g) As used in this SECTION, "overdose intervention drug" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-263.9.
- (h) As used in this SECTION, "paramedic" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-266.
- (i) As used in this SECTION, "pharmacist" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-281.
- (j) As used in this SECTION, "physician" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-282.
- (k) As used in this SECTION, "registered nurse" has the meaning set forth in IC 25-23-1-1.1.
 - (l) The agency shall establish a workgroup consisting of:
 - (1) emergency medical technicians;
 - (2) law enforcement officers;
 - (3) registered nurses;
 - (4) paramedics;
 - (5) pharmacists; and
 - (6) physicians.
- (m) The workgroup described in subsection (l) shall evaluate the cost and feasability of using the INSPECT data base to:
 - (1) catalog each emergency administration of an overdose intervention drug by an emergency medical services provider; and
 - (2) catalog data related to law enforcement investigations involving both:
 - (A) a controlled substance that is not an opiate; and
 - (B) one (1) more of the following occurrences:
 - (i) Death.
 - (ii) Overdose.
 - (iii) Forgery.
 - (iv) Fraud.
 - (v) Theft.
 - (n) Not later than December 1, 2017, the agency shall submit:
 - (1) any statutory recommendations; and
 - (2) a written report of the workgroup's findings;



to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(o) This SECTION expires December 31, 2017.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 151 as introduced.)

CHARBONNEAU, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

