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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 328, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§328- Prescription information; confidentiality;
- 5 penalty. Records relative to prescription information
- 6 containing individually identifiable patient health information,
- 7 maintained in electronic form or in any other form or medium,
- 8 shall not be sold or otherwise transferred for consideration by
- 9 any pharmacy benefits manager, insurance company, or retail,
- 10 mail order, or internet pharmacy. In addition to other
- 11 appropriate remedies under this chapter, a violation of this
- 12 section is an unfair or deceptive act or practice within the
- meaning of section 480-2. Any right or remedy set forth in
- section 480-13 may be used to enforce this section."
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 461-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 "§461-13 Prescription [record-] records; confidentiality.
- 18 (a) Records relative to prescription information containing



- 1 individually identifiable patient health information, maintained
- 2 in electronic form or in any other form or medium, shall not be
- 3 sold or otherwise transferred for consideration by any pharmacy
- 4 benefits manager, insurance company, or retail, mail order, or
- 5 internet pharmacy. In addition to other appropriate remedies
- 6 under this chapter, a violation of this section is an unfair or
- 7 deceptive act or practice within the meaning of section 480-2.
- 8 Any right or remedy set forth in section 480-13 may be used to
- 9 enforce this section.
- 10 (b) A pharmacy shall keep prescription records of each
- 11 prescription compounded or dispensed at the pharmacy for a
- 12 period of not less than five years. The prescription records
- 13 shall at all times be open to inspection by the board of
- 14 pharmacy and other law enforcement officers."
- 15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Prescription Drugs; Confidentiality of Contents

Description:

Prohibits the sale or transfer of patient prescription information by certain businesses as an unfair and deceptive act in the conduct of trade or commerce.