

MEETING SUMMARY
LEGISLATION AND REGULATION COMMITTEE
DATE: JULY 13, 2005
LOCATION: DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
400 R STREET, SUITE 4070
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814
9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOHN JONES, CHAIR
KENETH SCHELL

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

PATRICIA HARRIS
VIRGINIA HEROLD
JAN PEREZ

The meeting was convened at 9:30 a.m.

Legislation

The committee was provided with a list of bills and bill analysis, which it reviewed. Based on new information and discussions at the meeting, the committee either took positions or changed its recommended positions on the following bills: AB 21, AB 657, SB 401, SB 644, SB 798, SCR 49. Based on public comments at the end of the meeting, the committee directed staff to add AB 77 to its watch list.

The bills the committee discussed and the positions the committee recommended are as follows:

AB 595 (Negrete McLeod) Pharmacy: Compounding Of Prescription Drugs
This bill is sponsored by the board to define “compounding” and to provide direction for regulations that will follow later this year. The board approved draft legislation at its January 2005 meeting.
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 5/26/05

SB 1111 (B&P Committee) Omnibus Bill
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 5/11/05

AB 497 (Negrete McLeod) Drug Wholesalers and Manufacturers: Nonresident Wholesaler License Surety Bond
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 4/19/05

SB 734 (Torlakson) Controlled Substances
Recommended Position: Oppose Unless Amend
Version: 4/18/05

AB 21 (Levine) Pharmacists: Practice Requirements
Recommended Position: Oppose
Version: 6/15/05

SB 644 (Ortiz) Dispensing Prescription Drugs And Devices
Recommended Position:
Version: 7/5/05

AB 283 (Koretz) Pseudoephedrine: Retail Sale
Recommended Position: No Position
Version: 5/26/05

SB 152 (Speier) Pseudoephedrine
Recommended Position: Oppose
Version: 4/18/05

AB 446 (NEGRETE MCLEOD) Settlement Agreements (Gag Clauses)
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 3/30/05

SB 592 (Aanestad) Acute Care Hospitals: Inpatient Pharmacy Technician Services
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 3/29/05

AB 896 (Matthews) Clinical laboratories
Recommended Position: Support
Version: Introduced

AB 657 (Karnette) Pharmacies: Prescription Containers: Labels
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 6/21/05

AB 225 (Negrete McLeod) Electronic Prescription Information
Recommended Position: Support if Amended
Version: 4/7/05

AB 522 (Plescia) Automated drug delivery system
Recommended Position: Support if Amended
Version: 6/23/05

SB 401 (Ortiz) Medical information: Pharmacies: Marketing
Recommended Position: Oppose Unless Amend
Version: 6/15/05

SCR 49 (Speier) Medication Errors Panel
This is a new bill introduced on June 15, 2005
Recommended Position: Support
Version: 6/30/05

SB 798 (Simitian) Prescription Drugs: Collection And Distribution Program
Recommended Position: Oppose Unless Amend
Version: 6/21/05

SB 380 (Alquist) Drugs: Adverse Event Reporting
Recommended Position:
Version: 6/21/05

AB 71 (Chan) Pharmaceuticals: Adverse Drug Reactions: Office of California Drug Safety
Recommended Position:
Version: 6/23/05

AB 72 (Frommer) Prescription Drugs: Clinical Trials
Recommended Position:
Version: 5/26/05

SB 19 (Ortiz) California Rx Program
Recommended Position:
Version: 4/18/05

AB 73 (Frommer) Prescription Drugs: Importation: Procurement
Recommended Position:
Version: 3/17/05

AB 74 (Gordon) California Rx Prescription Drug Hotline
Recommended Position:
Version: 6/23/05

AB 75 (Frommer) Pharmaceutical Assistance Program
Recommended Position:
Version: 5/26/05

AB 76 (Frommer) Office of Pharmaceutical Purchasing
Recommended Position:
Version: 7/05/05

AB 77 (Frommer) Medi-Cal: Clinics: Reimbursement
Recommended Position:
Version: 6/23/05

AB 78 (Pavley) Pharmacy Benefits Management
Recommended Position:
Version: 7/6/05

Regulations Update

The committee was informed that the omnibus group of regulations approved by the board in January 2005 is currently undergoing Department of Finance Review. It is anticipated that the regulations will be approved by the Office of Administrative Law and will take effect by late summer 2005.

The committee was informed that an informational hearing regarding the posting of intern pharmacist addresses on the Board's web site will be held at the Board meeting in San Diego on July 20, 2005.

Proposed Initiative Update

The committee discussed two ballot initiatives (Proposition 78, Prescription Drug Discounts Initiative Statute, Proposition 79, Prescription Drug Discounts State Negotiated Rebates) that will be on the November 8, 2005 ballot. The Committee chose not to take a position on either proposition at this time.

Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 12:00 p.m.