

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 403**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled  
"Public health code,"  
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 7333c.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           **Sec. 7333c. (1) A pharmacist who receives a lawful order from**  
2 **a prescriber for addiction medication shall make a good-faith**  
3 **effort to fill the order without undue delay. If the pharmacy does**  
4 **not have the addiction medication in stock, the pharmacist shall**  
5 **offer to do 1 or more of the following for the patient:**

6           **(a) Obtain the addiction medication using the pharmacy's**  
7 **standard expedited ordering procedure.**

8           **(b) Locate a pharmacy that is reasonably accessible to the**  
9 **patient that has the addiction medication in stock and transfer the**



1 order to that pharmacy using the transferring pharmacy's standard  
2 transfer procedure.

3 (2) If an addiction medication is prescribed to a patient on a  
4 prescription form and is not filled at the pharmacy, the pharmacist  
5 shall return the prescription form to the patient on the patient's  
6 request.

7 (3) As used in this section:

8 (a) "Addiction medication" means a controlled substance to  
9 treat or manage an opioid use disorder.

10 (b) "Undue delay" means a delay intended to obstruct a  
11 patient's access to the addiction medication or that is not a valid  
12 delay.

13 (c) "Valid delay" means a delay caused by fulfilling the  
14 requirements of this article, part 177, or a rule promulgated under  
15 this article or part 177, or any other delay commonly associated  
16 with the practice of pharmacy.