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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. [BILL NUMBER]

Mandatory opioid education.

Sponsored by: HDraft Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to opioid education; requiring specified
2 boards to require continuing education related to prescribing
3 opiates; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 33-15-109(c), 33-21-122(c) (xiv),
8 33-24-121(d) (intro) and 33-26-202(b) (xiv) are amended to
9 read:

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11 **33-15-109. Renewal license certificate.**

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1 (c) The board may set continuing education requirements
2 for renewal certificates and relicensure certificates. In
3 addition to any other continuing education requirements under
4 this subsection, the board shall require three (3) hours of
5 continuing education related to the responsible prescribing
6 of opiates every two (2) years.

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8 **33-21-122. Board of nursing; powers and duties.**

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10 (c) Without limiting the foregoing, the board of
11 nursing may do the following:

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13 (xiv) Regulate by board rules and regulations the
14 qualifications of advanced practice registered nurses. In
15 addition to any other qualifications under this paragraph,
16 the board shall require three (3) hours of continuing
17 education related to the responsible prescribing of opiates
18 every two (2) years;

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20 **33-24-121. Renewal license certificate; late fee;**
21 **expiration upon failure to renew; reinstatement; continuing**
22 **professional education requirement for renewal; reduction or**
23 **exception determined by board.**

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2 (d) The board may require that any person applying for
3 renewal in accordance with subsection (a) of this section
4 shall satisfactorily complete not less than six (6) nor more
5 than fifteen (15) contact hours or not less than three-fifths
6 (3/5) of one (1) continuing education unit nor more than one
7 and one-half (1 1/2) continuing education units of approved
8 continuing pharmaceutical education courses each year. For
9 purposes of this subsection, one (1) continuing education
10 unit is equivalent to ten (10) contact hours. No hours or
11 units used for one (1) year shall apply to any other year.
12 The board shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to
13 administer this subsection and may reduce or make exception
14 to the requirements of this subsection for the initial year
15 of application and for emergency or hardship cases. In
16 addition to other continuing education requirements under
17 this subsection, the board shall require three (3) hours of
18 continuing education related to the responsible prescribing
19 of opiates every two (2) years. The board may require a person
20 licensed as an inactive pharmacist, who seeks to be licensed
21 as an active pharmacist, to:

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23 **33-26-202. Board; duties; general powers.**

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2 (b) The board is empowered and directed to:

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4 (xiv) Adopt, amend, repeal, enforce and promulgate
5 reasonable rules and regulations necessary to implement and
6 administer continuing medical education requirements of its
7 licensees. In addition to any other continuing medical
8 education requirements, the board shall require three (3)
9 hours of continuing medical education related to the
10 responsible prescribing of opiates every two (2) years.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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