

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 50th Legislature (2005)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 26

By: Reynolds of the Senate

and

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AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing Oklahoma as the first state in the nation to limit access to medication that could be utilized to manufacture illegal drugs; commending Target Corporation for being the first national retailer to voluntarily limit access to medication that could be utilized to manufacture illegal drugs; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Target Corporation operates Target Stores, a chain of large, general merchandise discount stores consisting of some 1,300 locations, including more than 100 SuperTarget stores, in 47 states, as well as the online business, Target.com. Target employs more than 270,000 team members, giving more than \$2 million a week to communities where they do business; and

WHEREAS, Target has announced that it will place all products containing pseudoephedrine, the key ingredient in the manufacture of the illegal drug methamphetamine, for purchase behind the pharmacy counter. In stores where there is no pharmacy, products containing pseudoephedrine will not be sold; and

WHEREAS, Target is the first national retailer to voluntarily decide to place pseudoephedrine-based cough, cold, and allergy products behind the pharmacy counter. This new policy will go into effect at all Target stores within the next 60 to 90 days. Guests who purchase products containing pseudoephendrine will continue to

be limited to two packages per transaction or to more stringent restrictions required by law; and

WHEREAS, led by the State of Oklahoma, several other states and some municipalities have passed or are considering legislation regarding the sale of pseudoephedrine products. Oklahoma was the first state to pass such legislation which is currently being used as a model for other states. Congress is also considering federal legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature takes pride in leading the nation with the first model legislation in the country to limit access to common medication which could be used to manufacture illegal and dangerous drugs.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature commends Target Corporation for being the first national retailer to voluntarily limit the sale of medication that could be used to produce illegal drugs.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Bob Ulrich, Chair and Chief Executive Officer of Target Corporation; Mary Kelly, Target Vice President of Health, Beauty, and Pharmacy; and Nate Garvis, Target Vice President of Government Affairs.

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