

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 80

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution supporting the National Prescription
8 Drug Take-Back Day; and directing distribution.

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10 WHEREAS, unintentional prescription drug overdoses claimed the
11 lives of 534 Oklahomans in 2012; and

12 WHEREAS, research suggests that as many as one in eight
13 Oklahomans abuse prescription painkillers; and

14 WHEREAS, prescription drug abuse is a leading cause of death in
15 Oklahomans between ages 18 and 55 and was the number one cause of
16 overdose deaths in Oklahoma in 2013; and

17 WHEREAS, in 2013, more overdose deaths in Oklahoma involved
18 hydrocodone than methamphetamines, heroin, and cocaine combined; and

19 WHEREAS, The United States Drug Enforcement Administration's
20 National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day aims to provide a safe,
21 convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription
22 drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential
23 for abuse of medications; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs
2 Control is charged with the collection of prescription drugs
3 submitted during National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day; and

4 WHEREAS, National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day will be
5 Saturday, April 26, 2014.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
7 OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate encourages all Oklahomans to
9 deposit unused or unneeded prescription drugs at a designated drop-
10 off site.

11 THAT a copy of this resolution be presented to the Oklahoma
12 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control and the Eagle Ridge
13 Institute.

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