

BILL SUMMARY
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure	

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 1948 requires central repository registrants to access the repository prior to prescribing or authorizing a refill, if one hundred and eighty days have passed since the previous access and check, of opiates, synthetic opiates, semisynthetic opiates, benzodiazepine or carisoprodol until October 31, 2020. The CS also adds the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to the enforcement provision of the repository check.

The measure expands access to the central repository to the:

- Board of Examiners in Optometry
- Board of Nursing
- Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
- Medical practitioners employed by the US Veterans Affairs Administration, US Military, or other federal agencies training patients in this state; and
- At the discretion of the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control (OBNDD), medical practitioners and their staff, including those employed by the federal government in this state.

The measure permits the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the State Department of Health to utilize information in the central repository for data, research, substance abuse prevention, or educational purposes, provided that consumer confidentiality is maintained. Enforcement of the repository check is the responsibility of the State Board of Podiatric Examiners, Dentistry, Medical licensure and Supervision, Examiners in Optometry, Nursing, Osteopathic Examiners, and Veterinary Medical Examiners. OBNDD must provide to these respective boards a list of the top twenty prescribers of controlled dangerous substances within their respective areas of jurisdiction. OBNDD must notify the respective licensing board in writing if a registrant is prescribing outside the limitation of their licensure, drug registration rules, or applicable state laws. Lastly, OBNDD will provide adequate means and procedures for accessing central repository information for registrants without direct computer access.

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Fiscal Analysis

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Other Considerations

None.

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