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2 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

3 FOR

4 **Senate Bill No. 440**

5 (By Senators Foster, Unger and Miller)

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7 [Originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources;  
8 reported February 24, 2011.]

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10 A BILL to repeal §60A-10-4, §60A-10-5, §60A-10-6, §60A-10-7 and  
11 §60A-10-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to  
12 amend and reenact §60A-2-208 and §60A-2-212 of said code; and  
13 to amend and reenact §60A-10-2, §60A-10-3 and §60A-10-11 of  
14 said code, all relating to adding ephedrine, pseudoephedrine  
15 and phenylpropanolamine to the list of Schedule III  
16 substances; requiring a prescription to dispense drug products  
17 containing as an active ingredient ephedrine, pseudoephedrine,  
18 phenylpropanolamine; removing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine and  
19 phenylpropanolamine from the list of Schedule V substances; to  
20 repeal certain provisions that do not apply to prescription  
21 drugs; to add findings; to eliminate definitions that no  
22 longer are needed; and to provide a report back to the  
23 Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources  
24 Accountability.

25 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

26 That §60A-10-4, §60A-10-5, §60A-10-6, §60A-10-7 and §60A-10-8

1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be repealed; that  
2 §60A-2-208 and §60A-2-212 of said code be amended and reenacted;  
3 and that §60A-10-2, §60A-10-3 and §60A-10-11 of said code be  
4 amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

5 **ARTICLE 2. STANDARDS AND SCHEDULES.**

6 **§60A-2-208. Schedule III.**

7 (a) Schedule III consists of the drugs and other substances, by  
8 whatever official name, common or usual name, chemical name or  
9 brand name designated, listed in this section.

10 (b) Stimulants and Stimulant Precursors. -- Unless specifically  
11 excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any material,  
12 compound, mixture or preparation which contains any quantity of the  
13 following substances having a stimulant effect on the central  
14 nervous system, including its salts, isomers (whether optical,  
15 position or geometric), and salts of such isomers whenever the  
16 existence of the salts, isomers and salts of isomers is possible  
17 within the specific chemical designation:

18 (1) Those compounds, mixtures or preparations in dosage unit form  
19 containing any stimulant substances listed in Schedule II which  
20 compounds, mixtures or preparations were listed on the twenty-fifth  
21 day of August, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, as excepted  
22 compounds under 21 C.F.R §1308.32, and any other drug of the  
23 quantitative composition shown in that list for those drugs or  
24 which is the same except that it contains a lesser quantity of  
25 controlled substances;

26 (2) Benzphetamine;

1 (3) Chlorphentermine;

2 (4) Clortermine;

3 (5) Phendimetrazine;

4 (6) Hydrocodone;

5 (7) Ephedrine;

6 (8) Pseudoephedrine;

7 (9) Phenylpropanolamine.

8 (c) Depressants. -- Unless specifically excepted or unless listed  
9 in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture or preparation  
10 which contains any quantity of the following substances having a  
11 depressant effect on the central nervous system:

12 (1) Any compound, mixture or preparation containing:

13 (A) Amobarbital;

14 (B) Secobarbital;

15 (C) Pentobarbital; or any salt of pentobarbital and one or more  
16 other active medicinal ingredients which are not listed in any  
17 schedule;

18 (2) Any suppository dosage form containing:

19 (A) Amobarbital;

20 (B) Secobarbital;

21 (C) Pentobarbital; or any salt of any of these drugs and approved  
22 by the food and drug administration for marketing only as a  
23 suppository;

24 (3) Any substance which contains any quantity of a derivative of  
25 barbituric acid or any salt of barbituric acid;

26 (4) Chlorhexadol;

1 (5) Lysergic acid;  
2 (6) Lysergic acid amide;  
3 (7) Methyprylon;  
4 (8) Sulfondiethylmethane;  
5 (9) Sulfonethylmethane;  
6 (10) Sulfonmethane;  
7 (11) Tiletamine and zolazepam or any salt of tiletamine and  
8 zolazepam; some trade or other names for a tiletamine-zolazepam  
9 combination product: Telazol; some trade or other names for  
10 tiletamine: 2-(ethylamino)-2-(2-thienyl)-cyclohexanone; some trade  
11 or other names for zolazepam: 4-(2-fluorophenyl)-6, 8-dihydro-1, 3,  
12 8-trimethylpyrazolo-[3,4-e] [1,4]-diazepin-7(1H)-one, flupyrzapon;  
13 (12) Human growth hormones or anabolic steroids.  
14 Ketamine, its salts, isomers and salts of isomers, including  
15 ketamine hydrochloride.  
16 (d) Nalorphine.  
17 (e) Narcotic drugs. -- Unless specifically excepted or unless  
18 listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture or  
19 preparation containing any of the following narcotic drugs, or  
20 their salts calculated as the free anhydrous base or alkaloid, in  
21 limited quantities as set forth below:  
22 (1) Not more than 1.8 grams of codeine per 100 milliliters and not  
23 more than 90 milligrams per dosage unit, with an equal or greater  
24 quantity of an isoquinoline alkaloid of opium;  
25 (2) Not more than 1.8 grams of codeine per 100 milliliters or not  
26 more than 90 milligrams per dosage unit, with one or more active,

1 nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized therapeutic amounts;

2 (3) Not more than 300 milligrams of dihydrocodeinone (hydrocodone)  
3 per 100 milliliters or not more than 15 milligrams per dosage unit,  
4 with a fourfold or greater quantity of an isoquinoline alkaloid of  
5 opium;

6 (4) Not more than 300 milligrams of dihydrocodeinone (hydrocodone)  
7 per 100 milliliters or not more than 15 milligrams per dosage unit,  
8 with one or more active, nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized  
9 therapeutic amounts;

10 (5) Not more than 1.8 grams of dihydrocodeine per 100 milliliters  
11 and not more than 90 milligrams per dosage unit, with one or more  
12 active, nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized therapeutic amounts;

13 (6) Not more than 300 milligrams of ethylmorphine per 100  
14 milliliters or not more than 15 milligrams per dosage unit, with  
15 one or more active, nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized  
16 therapeutic amounts;

17 (7) Not more than 500 milligrams of opium per 100 milliliters or  
18 per 100 grams or not more than 25 milligrams per dosage unit, with  
19 one or more active, nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized  
20 therapeutic amounts;

21 (8) Not more than 50 milligrams of morphine per 100 milliliters or  
22 per 100 grams, with one or more active, nonnarcotic ingredients in  
23 recognized therapeutic amounts.

24 (f) Anabolic steroids. -- Unless specifically excepted or unless  
25 listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture, or  
26 preparation containing any quantity of anabolic steroids, including

1 its salts, isomers and salts of isomers whenever the existence of  
2 the salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical  
3 designation.

4 (g) Dronabinol (synthetic) in sesame oil and encapsulated in a soft  
5 gelatin capsule in a United States food and drug administration  
6 approved drug product. (Some other names for dronabinol:  
7 (6aR-trans)-6a, 7, 8, 10a-tetrahydro-6, 6,  
8 9-trimethyl-3-pentyl-6H-dibenzo [b,d] pyran-1-ol or (-)-delta-9-  
9 (trans)-tetrahydrocannabinol).

10 **§60A-2-212. Schedule V.**

11 (a) Schedule V shall consist of the drugs and other substances, by  
12 whatever official name, common or usual name, chemical name, or  
13 brand name designated, listed in this section.

14 (b) Narcotic drugs. -- Unless specifically excepted or unless  
15 listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture or  
16 preparation containing any of the following narcotic drugs and  
17 their salts, as set forth below:

18 (1) Buprenorphine.

19 (c) Narcotic drugs containing nonnarcotic active medicinal  
20 ingredients. Any compound, mixture or preparation containing any of  
21 the following narcotic drugs or their salts calculated as the free  
22 anhydrous base or alkaloid in limited quantities as set forth  
23 below, which shall include one or more nonnarcotic active medicinal  
24 ingredients in sufficient proportion to confer upon the compound,  
25 mixture or preparation valuable medicinal qualities other than  
26 those possessed by the narcotic drug alone:

1 (1) Not more than 200 milligrams of codeine per 100 milliliters or  
2 per 100 grams;

3 (2) Not more than 100 milligrams of dihydrocodeine per 100  
4 milliliters or per 100 grams;

5 (3) Not more than 100 milligrams of ethylmorphine per 100  
6 milliliters or per 100 grams;

7 (4) Not more than 2.5 milligrams of diphenoxylate and not less than  
8 25 micrograms of atropine sulfate per dosage unit;

9 (5) Not more than 100 milligrams of opium per 100 milliliters or  
10 per 100 grams;

11 (6) Not more than 0.5 milligrams of difenoxin and not less than 25  
12 micrograms of atropine sulfate per dosage unit.

13 (d) Stimulants. -- Unless specifically exempted or excluded or  
14 unless listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture  
15 or preparation which contains any quantity of the following  
16 substances having a stimulant effect on the central nervous system,  
17 including its salts, isomers and salts of isomers:

18 (1) Pyrovalerone.

19 (e) Any compound, mixture or preparation containing as its single  
20 active ingredient ephedrine, pseudoephedrine or  
21 phenylpropanolamine, their salts or optical isomers, or salts of  
22 optical isomers except products which are for pediatric use  
23 primarily intended for administration to children under the age of  
24 twelve: Provided, That neither the offenses set forth in section  
25 four hundred one, article four of this chapter, nor the penalties  
26 therein, shall be applicable to ephedrine, pseudoephedrine or

1 phenylpropanolamine which shall be subject to the provisions of  
2 article ten of this chapter.

3 **ARTICLE 10. METHAMPHETAMINE LABORATORY ERADICATION ACT.**

4 **§60A-10-2. Purpose; findings.**

5 The Legislature finds:

6 (a) That the illegal production and distribution of  
7 methamphetamine is an increasing problem nationwide and  
8 particularly prevalent in rural states such as West Virginia.

9 (b) That methamphetamine is a highly addictive drug that can  
10 be manufactured in small and portable laboratories. These  
11 laboratories are operated by individuals who manufacture the drug  
12 in a clandestine and unsafe manner, often resulting in explosions  
13 and fires that can injure not only the individuals involved, but  
14 their families, neighbors, law-enforcement officers and firemen.

15 (c) That use of methamphetamine can result in fatal kidney and  
16 lung disorders, brain damage, liver damage, blood clots, chronic  
17 depression, hallucinations, violent and aggressive behavior,  
18 malnutrition, disturbed personality development, deficient immune  
19 system and psychosis. Children born to mothers who are abusers of  
20 methamphetamine can be born addicted and suffer birth defects, low  
21 birth weight, tremors, excessive crying, attention deficit disorder  
22 and behavior disorders.

23 (d) That in addition to the physical consequences to an  
24 individual who uses methamphetamine, usage of the drug also  
25 produces an increase in automobile accidents, explosions and fires,  
26 increased criminal activity, increased medical costs due to



1 emergency room visits, increases in domestic violence, increased  
2 spread of infectious diseases and a loss in worker productivity.

3 (e) That environmental damage is another consequence of the  
4 methamphetamine epidemic. Each pound of methamphetamine produced  
5 leaves behind five to six pounds of toxic waste. Chemicals and  
6 byproducts that result from the manufacture of methamphetamine are  
7 often poured into plumbing systems, storm drains or directly onto  
8 the ground. Clean up of methamphetamine laboratories is extremely  
9 resource-intensive, with an average remediation cost of five  
10 thousand dollars.

11 (f) That in other states that have made drugs used to  
12 facilitate production of methamphetamines a prescription drug,  
13 there has been a significant decrease in the number of  
14 methamphetamine laboratories established in the state.

15 ~~(f)~~(g) That it is in the best interest of every West Virginian  
16 to develop a viable solution to address the growing methamphetamine  
17 problem in the State of West Virginia. The Legislature finds that  
18 restricting access to ~~over-the-counter~~ drugs used to facilitate  
19 production of methamphetamine is necessary to protect the public  
20 safety of all West Virginians.

21 ~~(g)~~(h) That it is further in the best interests of every West  
22 Virginian to create impediments to the manufacture of  
23 methamphetamine by requiring persons purchasing chemicals necessary  
24 to the process to ~~provide identification~~ get a prescription.

25 **§60A-10-3. Definitions.**

26 In this article:

1 (a) "Board of Pharmacy" or "board" means the West Virginia  
2 Board of Pharmacy established by the provisions of article five,  
3 chapter thirty of this code.

4 ~~(b) "Designated precursor" means any drug product made subject~~  
5 ~~to the requirements of this article by the provisions of section~~  
6 ~~seven of this article.~~

7 ~~(c)~~ (b) "Distributor" means any person within this state or  
8 another state, other than a manufacturer or wholesaler, who sells,  
9 delivers, transfers or in any manner furnishes a drug product to  
10 any person who is not the ultimate user or consumer of the product;

11 (d) "Drug product" means a pharmaceutical product that  
12 contains as its single active ingredient ephedrine, pseudoephedrine  
13 or phenylpropanolamine or a substance identified on the  
14 supplemental list provided for in section seven of this article  
15 which may be sold without a prescription and which is labeled for  
16 use by a consumer in accordance with the requirements of the laws  
17 and rules of this state and the federal government.

18 ~~(e)~~ (c) "Ephedrine " means ephedrine, its salts or optical  
19 isomers or salts of optical isomers.

20 ~~(f)~~ (d) "Manufacturer" means any person within this state who  
21 produces, compounds, packages or in any manner initially prepares  
22 for sale or use any drug product or any such person in another  
23 state if they cause the products to be compounded, packaged or  
24 transported into this state.

25 ~~(g)~~ (e) "Phenylpropanolamine" means phenylpropanolamine, its  
26 salts, optical isomers and salts of optical isomers.

1       ~~(h)~~ (f) "Pseudoephedrine" means pseudoephedrine, its salts,  
2 optical isomers and salts of optical isomers.

3       ~~(i)~~ (g) "Precursor" means any substance which may be used along  
4 with other substances as a component in the production and  
5 distribution of illegal methamphetamine.

6       ~~(j)~~ (h) "Pharmacist" means an individual currently licensed by  
7 this state to engage in the practice of pharmacy and pharmaceutical  
8 care as defined in subsection (t), section one-b, article fifty,  
9 chapter thirty of this code.

10       ~~(k)~~ (i) "Pharmacy intern" has the same meaning as the term  
11 "intern" as set forth in section one-b, article five, chapter  
12 thirty of this code.

13       ~~(l)~~ (j) "Pharmacy" means any drugstore, apothecary or place  
14 within this state where drugs are dispensed and sold at retail or  
15 display for sale at retail and pharmaceutical care is provided  
16 outside of this state where drugs are dispensed and pharmaceutical  
17 care is provided to residents of this state.

18       ~~(m) "Pharmacy counter" means an area in the pharmacy~~  
19 ~~restricted to the public where controlled substances are stored and~~  
20 ~~housed and where controlled substances may only be sold,~~  
21 ~~transferred or dispensed by a pharmacist or pharmacy technician.~~

22       ~~(n)~~ (k) "Pharmacy technician" means a registered technician who  
23 meets the requirements for registration as set forth in article  
24 five, chapter thirty of this code.

25       ~~(o) "Retail establishment" means any entity or person within~~  
26 ~~this state who sells, transfers or distributes goods, including~~

1 ~~over the counter drug products, to an ultimate consumer.~~

2 ~~(p) "Schedule V" means the schedule of controlled substances set out~~  
3 ~~in section two hundred twelve, section two of this chapter.~~

4 ~~(q) "Single active ingredient" means those ingredients listed~~  
5 ~~on a drug product package as the only active ingredient in over-~~  
6 ~~the counter medication or identified on the Schedule maintained by~~  
7 ~~the Board of Pharmacy as being primarily used in the illegal~~  
8 ~~production and distribution of methamphetamine.~~

9 ~~(r)~~(l) "Superintendent of the State Police" or  
10 "Superintendent" means the Superintendent of the West Virginia  
11 State Police as set forth in section five, article two, chapter  
12 fifteen of this code.

13 ~~(s)~~(m) "Wholesaler" means any person within this state or  
14 another state, other than a manufacturer, who sells, transfers or  
15 in any manner furnishes a drug product to any other person in this  
16 state for the purpose of being resold.

17 **§60A-10-11. Reporting to the Legislative Oversight Commission on**  
18 **Health and Human Resources Accountability.**

19 On or before the first day of January , two thousand~~five~~  
20 twelve, the Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police shall  
21 submit a report including findings, conclusions and  
22 recommendations, together with drafts of any legislation necessary,  
23 to improve the effectiveness of a reduction in illegal  
24 methamphetamine production and distribution to the Legislative  
25 Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability  
26 for consideration.

1           Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from  
2 the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would  
3 be added.

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