

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 84—ASSEMBLYMEN HOGAN, MUNFORD,
BOBZIEN, CLABORN, KOIVISTO AND WOMACK

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the expiration date specified on the label of the container for a prescription drug. (BDR 54-200)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to prescription drugs; removing the authority of a dispensing practitioner to provide on the label for a prescription drug or medicine an expiration date that is earlier than the expiration date provided by the manufacturer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law provides that, subject to certain exceptions, the expiration date of
2 a drug or medicine dispensed pursuant to a prescription must be included on the
3 label of the container in which the drug or medicine is dispensed. (NRS 639.2801)
4 **Section 1** of this bill removes the authority of a dispensing practitioner to provide
5 on the label for a prescription drug or medicine an expiration date which is earlier
6 than the expiration date provided by the manufacturer of the drug or medicine.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 639.2801 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:
3 639.2801 Unless specified to the contrary in writing on the
4 prescription by the prescribing practitioner, all prescriptions filled



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1 by any practitioner must be dispensed in a container to which is
2 affixed a label or other device which clearly shows:

- 3 1. The date.
- 4 2. The name, address and prescription serial number of the
5 practitioner who filled the prescription.
- 6 3. The names of the prescribing practitioner and of the person
7 for whom prescribed.
- 8 4. The number of dosage units.
- 9 5. Specific directions for use given by the prescribing
10 practitioner.

11 6. The expiration date of the effectiveness of the drug or
12 medicine dispensed, if that information is included on the original
13 label of the manufacturer of that drug or medicine. ~~If the expiration
14 date specified by the manufacturer is not less than 1 year after the
15 date of dispensing, the practitioner may use a date that is 1 year after
16 the date of dispensing as the expiration date.]~~

17 7. The proprietary or generic name of the drug or medicine as
18 written by the prescribing practitioner.

19 8. The strength of the drug or medicine.

20 ➔ The label must contain the warning:

21 Caution: Do not use with alcohol or nonprescribed drugs
22 without consulting the prescribing practitioner.

23 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2008.

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