

SENATE BILL NO. 168—SENATOR CARE

MARCH 4, 2009

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to prescription drugs.
(BDR 54-1011)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
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 pharmacy; requiring that the label of a
prescription drug contain certain warnings; providing a
penalty; and providing other matters properly relating
thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill requires that the label attached to any prescription drug dispensed in
2 this State contain a written warning which must state, "Caution: If the person to
3 whom this drug is prescribed is less than 25 years of age, the person or his
4 caregiver is advised to review the pamphlet and other information which is
5 included with the prescription." The portion of the label which contains the warning
6 must be printed on a blue background. (NRS 639.2801) A violation of any
7 provision of this bill is punishable as a misdemeanor. (NRS 639.310)

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 **1.** Unless specified to the contrary in writing on the
4 prescription by the prescribing practitioner, all prescriptions filled
5 by any practitioner must be dispensed in a container to which is
6 affixed a label or other device which clearly shows:

7 ~~H-I~~ **(a)** The date.



- 1 ~~{2-}~~ (b) The name, address and prescription serial number of the
2 practitioner who filled the prescription.
3 ~~{3-}~~ (c) The names of the prescribing practitioner and of the
4 person for whom prescribed.
5 ~~{4-}~~ (d) The number of dosage units.
6 ~~{5-}~~ (e) The symptom or purpose for which the drug is
7 prescribed, if included by the practitioner pursuant to
8 NRS 639.2352.
9 ~~{6-}~~ (f) Specific directions for use given by the prescribing
10 practitioner.
11 ~~{7-}~~ (g) 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 ~~{8-}~~ (h) The proprietary or generic name of the drug or medicine
18 as written by the prescribing practitioner.
19 ~~{9-}~~ (i) The strength of the drug or medicine.
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21 2. The label *described in subsection 1* must contain the
22 ~~{warning-}~~ *following warnings:*
23 (a) Caution: Do not use with alcohol or nonprescribed drugs
24 without consulting the prescribing practitioner.
25 (b) *Caution: If the person to whom this drug is prescribed is*
26 *less than 25 years of age, the person or his caregiver is advised to*
27 *review the pamphlet and other information which is included with*
28 *the prescription.*
29 3. *The portion of the label which contains the warning*
30 *described in paragraph (b) of subsection 2 must be printed on a*
31 *blue background.*

