

**SENATE BILL REPORT**

**SSB 6192**

**AS PASSED SENATE, FEBRUARY 12, 1992**

**Brief Description:** Changing certain drug regulations.

**SPONSORS:** Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators West, Vognild, Sellar, Murray and L. Smith)

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG-TERM CARE**

**Majority Report:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6192 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators West, Chairman; L. Smith, Vice Chairman; Amondson, M. Kreidler, Newhouse, Niemi, and Wojahn.

**Staff:** Martin Lovinger (786-7443)

**Hearing Dates:** February 5, 1992; February 6, 1992

**BACKGROUND:**

Under current law legend drugs and controlled substances are regulated under three different statutes, the Pharmacy Act (RCW 18.64), the Legend Drug Act (RCW 69.41), and the Controlled Substances Act (RCW 69.50). The definitions under these three sections are not always uniform. Nor are they always in alphabetical order, which makes reference to them difficult.

**SUMMARY:**

The definitions in the Pharmacy Act, the Legend Drug Act and the Controlled Substances Act are placed in alphabetical order and standardized within the three laws.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** available

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

This bill standardizes and alphabetizes some definitions without changing any policies. This makes reference to those terms less confusing. The Board of Pharmacy supports the concept.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Steve Lindstrom, Washington State Pharmacists Association; Don Williams, Director, Board of Pharmacy, DOH