

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law allows for unused prescription drugs to be donated and redistributed, but the law is limited to individually packaged drugs. This packaging requirement restricts health care providers' ability to accept and distribute donated drugs that are safe and effective based on how they are packaged. H.B. 4166 seeks to promote sustainability in the health care system, reduce waste, and ensure the safety and effectiveness of donated prescription drugs by providing for the collection and redistribution of donated prescription drugs that are in a bottle or container and meet other existing packaging requirements.

H.B. 4166 amends current law relating to the packaging requirements for certain donated prescription drugs.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 442.053(a), Health and Safety Code, as follows:

(a) Authorizes a donated prescription drug to be accepted or dispensed under Chapter 442 (Donation of Prescription Drugs) only if the drug is in its original, unopened, sealed, and tamper-evident bottle, container, or unit-dose packaging.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2023.