

HOUSE BILL No. 2670

By Committee on Health and Human Services

Requested by Representative Clifford on behalf of the American Chronic Pain Association

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1 AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to nonopioid
2 alternatives for the treatment of pain; requiring the department of health
3 and environment to develop and publish educational information
4 regarding the use of nonopioids.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) The department of health and environment shall
8 develop and publish on its website an educational pamphlet regarding the
9 use of nonopioid alternatives for the treatment of acute, subacute and
10 chronic pain. The information in the pamphlet shall conform to the most
11 current clinical practice guidelines for prescribing opioids for pain issued
12 by the United States centers for disease control and prevention and may be
13 updated as needed. The information in the pamphlet shall include, but not
14 be limited to:

15 (1) Information on available nonopioid alternatives for the treatment
16 of pain, including pharmacological and nonpharmacological treatments;
17 and

18 (2) the advantages and disadvantages of the use of nonopioid
19 alternatives.

20 (b) Before January 1, 2025, and every two years thereafter, the
21 department of health and environment shall distribute the most updated
22 version of the educational pamphlet, required by subsection (a) to local
23 public health agencies in Kansas and associations representing federally
24 qualified health centers, rural health clinics, community mental health
25 centers and certified community behavioral health clinics in Kansas.

26 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
27 publication in the statute book.