

## HB 365 -- Methamphetamine Precursor Drugs

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This bill removes all methamphetamine precursor drugs from the list of Schedule IV and Schedule V controlled substances and reclassifies them as Schedule III controlled substances. As a result of the reclassification, a physician's prescription will be required to obtain any of these drugs unless the product is exempted under these provisions or is a dietary supplement, herb, or natural product that contains naturally occurring ephedrine alkaloids in an amount that does not exceed 15% of the total weight of the supplement, herb, or natural product.

The bill allows, upon written application of a manufacturer, the Department of Health and Senior Services to exempt by rule any product containing methamphetamine precursor drugs if the product is formulated to prevent the conversion of the active ingredient into methamphetamine. Upon notification from the State Highway Patrol that it has probable cause to believe that a product exempted by the department is feasible for conversion into methamphetamine, the department may issue an emergency rule revoking the exemption for the product pending a full hearing.

The bill also repeals provisions regarding the logging and recording of the sales as well as the storing of these drugs behind the counter from public access.