

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Health & Human Services.

SB23-144 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, strike lines 9 through 13 and substitute:

2 "(b) (I) "CHRONIC PAIN" MEANS A PAIN THAT TYPICALLY LASTS
3 THREE MONTHS OR LONGER AND MAY BE THE RESULT OF AN UNDERLYING
4 MEDICAL DISEASE OR CONDITION, INJURY, MEDICAL TREATMENT,
5 INFLAMMATION, OR UNKNOWN CAUSE. "CHRONIC PAIN" IS A PAIN STATE
6 IN WHICH THE CAUSE OF THE PAIN OFTEN CANNOT BE REMOVED WITH
7 REASONABLE MEDICAL EFFORTS AT THE CONSENT OF THE PATIENT, OR PAIN
8 FOR WHICH NO CURE CAN BE FOUND AFTER REASONABLE MEDICAL
9 EFFORTS. CHRONIC PAIN MAY RESTRICT THE ABILITY OF INDIVIDUALS TO
10 WORK, CARE FOR THEMSELVES, AND ENGAGE IN BASIC LIFE, SOCIAL, AND
11 PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES.".

12 Page 5, line 4, strike "THE CURRENT STANDARD OF CARE." and substitute
13 "LEGITIMATE MEDICAL PURPOSE IN THE USUAL COURSE OF PROFESSIONAL
14 PRACTICE.".

15 Page 6, line 5, after "SOLELY" insert "BECAUSE THE PRESCRIPTION IS FOR
16 AN OPIATE OR".

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