## **One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

LB179

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

**Committee: Health and Human Services** 

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2011

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 179 updates various sections of the Pharmacy Practice Act and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act in the following ways:

1. Removes a sentence from Section 28-414(3)(b) that requires a pharmacist to sign and date the face of a CII prescription after filling. This is not required per federal law. By removing this sentence, pharmacies will be able to accept electronically prescribed controlled substance prescriptions once allowed by the DEA.

2. Defines "drug sample or sample medication" in the Pharmacy Practice Act. Drug sample is also currently defined in the Wholesale Drug Distributor Act.

3. Corrects Section 38-2851 that addresses licensure of a pharmacist. Differentiates between requirements for initial licensure as a pharmacist, and requirements necessary for licensure of a pharmacist via reciprocity.

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