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Representative Cooper of the 43rd offers the following amendment:

1 *Amend the Senate amendment #1 to HB 551 (LC 28 9316S) by adding after line 4 the*
 2 *following:*

3 *By inserting after "penalty;" on line 4 the following:*

4 to revise provisions relative to prescribers registering with the prescription drug
 5 monitoring program; to provide for a definition;

6 *By inserting between lines 34 and 35 the following:*

7 **SECTION 1A.**

8 Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 16-13-57,
 9 relating to the prescription drug monitoring program, as follows:

10 "(c)(1) Each prescriber who has a DEA registration number shall enroll to become
 11 a user of the PDMP as soon as possible, and no later than January 1, 2018; provided,
 12 however, that prescribers who attain a DEA registration number after such date shall
 13 enroll within 30 days of attaining such credentials. A prescriber who violates this
 14 subsection shall be held administratively accountable to the state regulatory board
 15 governing such prescriber for such violation.

16 (2) Any state regulatory board governing prescribers shall have the discretion to
 17 rescind any consent orders or other disciplinary actions that were entered into or
 18 imposed prior to the effective date of this Act for a violation of paragraph (1) of this
 19 subsection after review based on, but not limited to, the following factors: subsequent
 20 compliance with paragraph (1) of this subsection; compliance with the terms of the
 21 consent order or other disciplinary action; and whether such prescriber has had
 22 previous infractions of other laws or regulations relating to his or her licensure. The
 23 authority granted under this paragraph shall expire on December 31, 2019.

24 (3) On and after the effective date of this Act, for purposes of this subsection, the
 25 term 'administratively accountable' shall mean a warning or the imposition of a fine,
 26 but any such fine shall not be considered a disciplinary action against the licensee."