



General Assembly

February Session, 2002

**Raised Bill No. 550**

LCO No. 2234

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
(PH)

**AN ACT CONCERNING PRESCRIPTIONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) Any mail order  
2 pharmacy that fills a prescription for a resident of this state shall be  
3 liable for the costs incurred by such resident that are caused by a delay  
4 by the pharmacy in mailing the prescription or errors by the pharmacy  
5 that result in delivery of a drug other than the one prescribed. Such  
6 reimbursable costs shall include, but not be limited to, the cost to the  
7 resident of filling the prescription at another pharmacy.

8 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) The Commissioner of Public  
9 Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the  
10 general statutes, for the purpose of developing a system for checking  
11 errors made in dispensing medication to a patient by prescribing  
12 practitioners or pharmacists.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

***Statement of Purpose:***

To provide that consumers shall be reimbursed for additional costs incurred in connection with their prescriptions as a result of errors made by a mail order pharmacy and to establish a system for checking errors made when prescriptions are dispensed to patients.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*