

# HB 1324 - Veterinary Access to Compounded Pharmaceuticals

## Office Stock<sup>1</sup>

Compounded pharmaceuticals are **dispensed** to client (human) for **at-home** administration to patient (animal)

**Bill** allows veterinarian to stock and dispense up to 5 days' worth of compounded drug if:

- For treatment of emergency conditions
- Cannot get compounded pharmaceuticals through regular channels in sufficient time to treat

Pharmacy (prescription drug outlet) defined in this section to cover both residential and nonresidential pharmacies that are registered with DORA

## Office Use<sup>2</sup>

Compounded pharmaceuticals are **administered** by the veterinarian **in-office** to the patient (animal)

Board rules must limit amount a pharmacy distributes for office use to ≤ 10% of the total number of the pharmacy's drug dosage units distributed annually

**Current law** limits to in-state pharmacies that may distribute for office use

**Bill clarifies** that 10% office use applies to veterinarian drugs as well and, for veterinarian drugs only, allows nonresident pharmacies registered in CO to distribute for office use

## Controlled Substances<sup>3</sup>

A wholesaler cannot sell or distribute a veterinary drug without a written prescription and veterinarian has a **veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR)**

**Exceptions in current law:** Oral prescription of noncontrolled substances allowed. Oral prescription of schedule III, IV, and V controlled substances allowed if followed by a written prescription within 3 days

**Amendment would allow** a wholesaler to sell or distribute any controlled or noncontrolled compounded drug to a veterinarian w/o a VCPR if for office use or office stock. Veterinarian would need VCPR in place at time of administering drug to an animal patient or dispensing drug to a client.

<sup>1</sup> Section 12-42-5-118.5 (added in bill)

<sup>2</sup> Section 12-42.5-118 (6) (b) (amended in bill)

<sup>3</sup> Section 12-42.5-118 (3) (b) (amended in amendment L.001)