

AN ACT concerning government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Controlled Substances Act is amended by adding Section 315.5 as follows:

(720 ILCS 570/315.5 new)

Sec. 315.5. Opioid education for prescribers. Every prescriber who is licensed to prescribe controlled substances shall, during the pre-renewal period, complete 3 hours of continuing education on safe opioid prescribing practices offered or accredited by a professional association, State government agency, or federal government agency. Notwithstanding any individual licensing Act or administrative rule, a prescriber may count these 3 hours toward the total continuing education hours required for renewal of a professional license. Continuing education on safe opioid prescribing practices applied to meet any other State licensure requirement or professional accreditation or certification requirement may be used toward the requirement under this Section. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may adopt rules for the administration of this Section.