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H 896. DATABASE/CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES. *TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO MAINTAIN A COMPUTERIZED DATABASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE PRESCRIBING AND FILLING OF ORDERS FOR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.* Enacts new GS 90-107A authorizing Dep't of Health and Human Services to maintain a computerized database for prescriptions for Schedule II, III, IV, and V controlled substances. Database may be accessed by law enforcement officers and drug regulatory section only upon reasonable belief that there has been a violation of GS 90-108. Pharmacies and persons providing information to database are immune from criminal prosecution and civil liability based on providing the information unless the information provider knew the information was false or acted in reckless disregard to truth or falsity of information. Unauthorized disclosure of information from database is a Class 3 misdemeanor punishable only by fine of up to \$500. Comm'n for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services is authorized to adopt rules for establishment and maintenance of database.

Intro. by Hensley and Blue.

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