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Amendment to HB 291-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT removing veterinarians from the requirements of adopting rules for prescribing  
4 opioids and querying the controlled drug prescription health and safety program.  
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6 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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8 1 Board of Veterinary Medicine; Rulemaking RSA 332-B:7-a, XV is repealed and reenacted to  
9 read as follows:

10 XV. Formulating treatment plans for chronic pain and continuing education requirements  
11 regarding opioid use and prescribing opioids.

12 2 Prescribers Required to Query the Program Prior to Prescribing Controlled Substances.  
13 Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 318-B:39 to read as follows:

14 ***Except for veterinarians,*** prescribers required to register with the program under this  
15 subdivision shall query the program for a patient's initial prescription when prescribing schedule II,  
16 III, and IV opioids for the management or treatment of pain and then periodically and at least twice  
17 per year, except when:

18 3 Repeal. RSA 318-B:41, III and IV, relative to the requirement that the board of veterinary  
19 medicine adopt rules for prescribing opioids, are repealed.

20 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.