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2025 Regular Session

HB2657 Involuntary manslaughter; certain drug offenses.

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Status: In Committee

Patron

Introduced by: Joshua E. Thomas (Chief Patron)



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Summary As Passed House

Involuntary manslaughter; certain drug offenses. Provides that any person who knowingly, intentionally, and feloniously manufactures, sells, or distributes a controlled substance knowing that such controlled substance contains a detectable amount of fentanyl, including its derivatives, isomers, esters, ethers, salts, and salts of isomers, and unintentionally causes the death of another person, is guilty of involuntary manslaughter if (i) such death results from use of the controlled substance and (ii) such controlled substance is the proximate cause of the death. The bill provides that venue for a prosecution of this crime shall lie in the locality where the manufacturing, sale, or distribution of such controlled substance occurred, where the use of the controlled substance occurred, or where death occurred.

The bill also provides that if a person gave or distributed such controlled substance only as an accommodation to another individual who is not an inmate in a community correctional facility, local correctional facility, or state correctional facility, or in the custody of an employee thereof, and not with intent to profit thereby from any consideration received or expected nor to induce the recipient of the controlled substance to use or become addicted to or dependent upon such controlled substance, is not guilty of involuntary manslaughter but may be prosecuted pursuant to relevant law.

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House	Courts of Justice Substitute Adopted (25106259D-H1)	Impact Statements	PDF
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Substitute
Offered

History

1/15/2025	House	Presented and ordered printed 25104671D
1/15/2025	House	Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/24/2025	House	Impact statement from VCSC (HB2657)
1/25/2025	House	Fiscal Impact Statement from Department of Planning and Budget (HB2657)
1/25/2025	House	Assigned Courts sub: Criminal
1/27/2025	House	Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute and referring to Appropriations (6-Y 2-N)
1/29/2025	House	Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (18-Y 4-N)
1/29/2025	House	Committee substitute printed 25106259D- H1
1/30/2025	House	Impact statement from VCSC (HB2657)
1/31/2025	House	Read first time
2/1/2025	House	Fiscal Impact Statement from Department of Planning and Budget (HB2657)
2/3/2025	House	Read second time
2/3/2025	House	Courts of Justice Substitute agreed to
2/3/2025	House	Engrossed by House - committee substitute
2/4/2025	House	Read third time and passed House Passage (98-Y 1-N)
2/5/2025	Senate	Constitutional reading dispensed (on 1st reading)
2/5/2025	Senate	Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice





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