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No. SB 1128

**THE GOVERNOR**  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.,

May 11, 2018

TIME SIGNED: 5:22 pm

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE  
AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA SENATE  
SECOND SESSION OF THE  
FIFTY SIXTH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 1128:

This is to advise you that on this date, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution to approve or object to legislation presented to me, I have VETOED Senate Bill 1128.

SB 1128 allows doctors to prescribe a fourteen day prescription supply after a patient undergoes a "major surgical procedure" which will be defined in rules by the appropriate medical licensing authority. It also provides the prescriber must believe the prescription is medically necessary, must indicate on the prescription that there is a "surgical acute pain exception," and must document the condition and lack of alternative treatment options justifying deviation from the seven-day supply limit. The bill also allows for an additional seven-day supply of a Schedule II controlled dangerous substance if deemed medically necessary.

While SB 1128 contains patient safeguards, such as a requirement that the doctor document the medical necessity of the prescription, the bill ultimately provides an exception to the opioid pill limits contained in Senate Bill 1446. It should also be noted the Oklahoma Commission on Opioid Abuse took great cognizance of the CDC guidelines regarding the proper prescribing of opioids for acute pain. There is also a nationwide movement by retailers to limit customers' opioid prescriptions to a seven-day supply, as announced by Walmart and Sam's Club pharmacies. As such, SB 1128 is inconsistent with the goals of the recommendations set for the by the Commission. These listed concerns are also shared by our state's Attorney General.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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By Becky Welch

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