

**§7254. Exemption from opioid medication limits until January 2017; rulemaking**

**1. Exemption until January 2017.**

[PL 2015, c. 488, §9 (NEW); MRSA T. 22 §7254, sub-§1 (RP).]

**2. Rulemaking.** Notwithstanding section 7252, no later than January 1, 2017, the department shall adopt routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to establish reasonable exceptions to prescriber limits in Title 32, sections 2210, 2600-C, 3300-F, 3657 and 18308, including for chronic pain and acute pain. The rules must take into account clinically appropriate exceptions and include prescribers in the rule-making process including the drafting of draft rules and changes after the public hearing process to the extent permitted by Title 5, chapter 375. After July 1, 2017, any rules adopted by the department pursuant to this section are governed by section 7252.

[PL 2017, c. 213, §11 (AMD).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2015, c. 488, §9 (NEW). PL 2017, c. 213, §11 (AMD).

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