

## HOUSE BILL 250: Public Safety/Other Changes, Sec. 6: Add Tianeptine to Schedule II

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| Committee:     |                        | Date:        | August 23, 2024 |
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| Introduced by: |                        | Prepared by: | Robert Ryan     |
| Analysis of:   | Sec. 6 of S.L. 2024-43 |              | Staff Attorney  |

**OVERVIEW:** Section 6 of S.L. 2024-43 adds tianeptine to Schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act, therefore making tianeptine a controlled substance under North Carolina law and creating criminal penalties for the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession of tianeptine.

Section 6 of S.L. 2024-43 becomes effective December 1, 2024, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

## **CURRENT LAW AND BILL ANALYSIS:**

Article 5 of Chapter 90 is the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, and it contains the laws related to controlled substances which are listed on Schedules I through VI of the Controlled Substances Act. The manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession of a controlled substance in a manner that is not authorized under Article 5 of Chapter 90 is a criminal offense.

Tianeptine is not currently listed as a controlled substance under either federal or North Carolina law.

Section 6 of this act adds tianeptine to Schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act, therefore making tianeptine a controlled substance under North Carolina law and creating varying criminal penalties for the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession of tianeptine.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Section 6 of S.L. 2024-43 becomes effective December 1, 2024, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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