

## **HOUSE BILL 258: Novel Opioid Control Act of 2023.**

## 2023-2024 General Assembly

Committee: House Health. If favorable, re-refer to Date: March 14, 2023

Judiciary 3. If favorable, re-refer to Rules,

Calendar, and Operations of the House

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Analysis of: PCS to First Edition Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: House Bill 258 would amend the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act by creating a new Schedule I controlled substance, and modifying existing Schedule I, Schedule II, and Schedule III controlled substances.

The Proposed Committee Substitute ("PCS") would amend nitazen derivatives, make technical changes, and change the effective date to July 1, 2023.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

The PCS to House Bill 258 would make the following changes to Schedule I controlled substances:

- Add specific chemical designations to the list of opiates. (Section 1.(a))
- Amend the also known as name for four fentanyl derivates. (Section 1.(b))
- List nitazen derivatives as a new Schedule I controlled substance. (Section 1.(c))
- Make technical changes to hallucinogenic substances. (Section 1.(d))
- Amend stimulants and synthetic cannabinoids. (Section 1.(e) and Section (f))

The PCS to House Bill 258 would amend Schedule II opiates (Section 1.(g)) and make technical changes to Schedule III anabolic steroids (Sections 1.(h) and 1.(i)).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective on July 1, 2023 and apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

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