

HOUSE BILL 258: Novel Opioid Control Act of 2023.

This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

2023-2024 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to **Date:** Judiciary.

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Health Care. If favorable, re-refer to Rules and

Operations of the Senate

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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.

BILL ANALYSIS:

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) and Section 1.(e))
- Amend stimulants and synthetic cannabinoids. (Section 1.(f) and Section 1.(g))

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

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

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