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## CHAPTER 66.

## DRUGS

SALE OF HABIT-FORMING AND NARCOTIC DRUGS  
RESTRICTED

(H. B. No. 371, by Mr. Lucero)

## AN ACT

TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE, BARTER, EXCHANGE, DISTRIBUTION, DEALING IN, GIVING AWAY, DISPENSING, OR THE DISPOSITION IN ANY MANNER OF OPIUM OR COCA LEAVES, THEIR SALTS, DERIVATIVES OR PREPARATIONS, TO REGULATE THE TREATMENT AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMMITTAL OF THE HABITUAL USERS OF SUCH DRUGS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," APPROVED APRIL 9, 1915, CONCERNING NARCOTIC AND HABIT FORMING DRUGS, SO AS TO INCLUDE CANNABIS INDICA AND CHLORAL HYDRATE.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado*

Act amended

Section 1. Section One of an act entitled "An act to regulate the sale, barter, exchange, distribution, dealing in, giving away, dispensing, or the disposition in any manner of opium or coca leaves, their salts, derivatives or preparation, to regulate the treatment and to provide for the committal of the habitual users of such drugs and for other purposes," approved April 9, 1915, (Session Laws 1915, page 208) is hereby amended to read

Sale of opium,  
coca leaves,  
cannabis indica,  
etc., restricted

"Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, barter, exchange, distribute, give away or in any manner dispose of, at retail or to a consumer, opium, coca

leaves, cannabis indica, chloral hydrate or any compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, or preparation thereof, within this state, except upon the original written prescription of a duly licensed physician, and pursuant to all the requirements of this act."

Section 2. Section Two of an act entitled "An act to regulate the sale, barter, exchange, distribution, dealing in, giving away, dispensing, or the disposition in any manner of opium or coca leaves, their salts, derivatives or preparation, to regulate the treatment and to provide for the committal of the habitual users of such drugs, and for other purposes," approved April 9, 1915 (Session Laws 1915, page 208) is hereby amended to read:

Act amended

"Section 2. That the provisions of this act shall not be construed to apply to the sale, barter, exchange, distribution, giving away, dispensing or the disposition in any manner, or the possession, within this state, of preparations and remedies which do not contain more than two grains of opium, or more than one-fourth of a grain of morphine, or more than one-eighth of a grain of heroin, or more than one grain of codeine, or more than one-half grain solid extract or its equivalent of cannabis indica, or more than five grains of chloral hydrate, or any salt or derivative of any of them in one fluid ounce; or, if a solid or semi-solid preparation, in one avoirdupois ounce; or to liniments, ointments, or other preparations which are prepared for external use only, except liniments, ointments and other preparations, which contain cocaine or any of its salts, or alpha or beta eucaine, or any of their salts, or any synthetic substitute for them; *provided*, that such remedies and preparations are sold, distributed, given away, dispensed, or possessed as medicines and not for the purpose of evading the intendment and provisions of this act. The provisions of this act shall not apply to decocainized coca leaves or preparations made therefrom;

When this act is not applicable

If sold in good faith

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or to other preparations of coca leaves which do not contain cocaine."

Safety clause

Section 3. The General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this act and each and every sentence, phrase, clause, section and subsection thereof is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety.

Approved: April 17, 1917.