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2 Senator Hartwell moves that the bill be amended as follows:

3 First: In Sec. 2, 18 V.S.A. § 5283, in subsection (a), by adding a new
4 subdivision (6) to read:

5 (6) refer the patient for a palliative care consultation, if applicable, under
6 section 5286 of this chapter;

7 Second: In Sec. 2, 18 V.S.A. chapter 113, by adding a new section 5286 to
8 read:

9 § 5286. PALLIATIVE CARE CONSULTATION

10 If a patient is not receiving palliative care or hospice services at the time the
11 written request for medication is made pursuant to this chapter, the patient's
12 attending physician shall refer the patient to a qualified health care provider for
13 a palliative care consultation and shall attest to its completion pursuant to
14 subdivision 5291(a)(5) of this title. For purposes of the palliative care
15 consultation, a qualified health care provider shall be a health care provider
16 with specialized training in hospice or palliative care, as determined by the
17 Department of Health by rule.

18 Third: In Sec. 2, 18 V.S.A. § 5290, in subsection (a), by adding a new
19 subdivision (5) to read:

1 (5) if the patient was not receiving hospice services at the time of the
2 written request for medication, the attending physician’s attestation that the
3 patient received a palliative care consultation;
4 and by renumbering the remaining sections of chapter 113 and the
5 cross-references to be numerically correct