

1 H.736

2 SHORT FORM

3 Introduced by Representatives Bos-Lun of Westminster, Austin of Colchester,  
4 Bartholomew of Hartland, Burtt of Cabot, Critchlow of  
5 Colchester, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Goldman of Rockingham,  
6 Lipsky of Stowe, McFaun of Barre Town, McGill of Bridport,  
7 Nelson of Derby, and Olson of Starksboro

8 Referred to Committee on

9 Date:

10 Subject: Health; health care facilities; prescription drugs

11 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make  
12 legislative findings regarding the lack of stock of medications for rare diseases  
13 in many inpatient health care facilities and the difficulties that those facilities  
14 may encounter in procuring needed medications in a timely manner when  
15 caring for patients who enter the facility while on a treatment regimen for a  
16 rare disease. The bill would require health care facilities to allow patients who  
17 are on an inpatient status to continue to take all medically necessary  
18 medications prescribed for them by a licensed health care provider, even if the  
19 facility does not typically dispense or administer one or more of the  
20 medications, in order to facilitate medication adherence and continuity of  
21 patient care across settings.

1           An act relating to medication adherence and continuity of care in inpatient  
2           health care settings

3           It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

4           (TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)