

H.736

SHORT FORM

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

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Health; health care facilities; prescription drugs

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