

1 S.147

2 Introduced by Senator Douglass

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Regulated drugs; purchase of drugs from a person under 21 years of  
6 age

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to create a new  
8 crime of purchasing a regulated drug from a person under 21 years of age.

9 An act relating to purchasing drugs from a person under 21 years of age

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

11 Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 4237a is added to read:

12 § 4237a. PURCHASING DRUGS FROM A PERSON UNDER 21 YEARS  
13 OF AGE

14 No person shall knowingly and unlawfully purchase a regulated drug from a  
15 person under 21 years of age. A person who violates this section shall be  
16 sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not less than one year and not more  
17 than five years in addition to any other penalty provided by law.

18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.