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Sunset Review Members,

I have only a couple of comments and will try to be brief.

1. Requiring veterinarians to report to the Texas Prescription Monitoring Program is fraught with difficulty unless that website is redone to include animals. For instance, it asks for a birthday and most animal owners don't know their dog, cat, horse, or cow's birthday. To enter the dispensed controlled drug under the owners's name, birthday, etc, would make it appear that the owner is using controlled drugs that they are not.
2. The enforcement arm of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has on occasion of finding discrepancies in a veterinarian's controlled drug log, issued citations and fines to veterinarians who only occasionally worked in the practice (relief vets)  
who had no access to either the drugs or the drug logs. While all the veterinarians that have access to the drugs and drug logs are certainly responsible, it makes no sense to sanction the veterinarians who do not.

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