

The National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities

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A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FORMATION OF A JOINT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE MERGING OF THE ALLIANCE OF STATES WITH PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAMS AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AUTHORITIES AND TO PRESENT OPTIONS

- WHEREAS,** the number of states with Prescription Monitoring Programs has grown dramatically;
- WHEREAS,** many states with Prescription Monitoring Programs are also members of the National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities;
- WHEREAS,** topics addressed at the Alliance meeting could be addressed at the NASCSA meeting;
- WHEREAS,** state budgets continue to be severely constrained; a combining of the meetings would allow for a shorter time away from the job and reduce costs;
- WHEREAS,** the level of complexity of programs and funding mechanisms continues to evolve;
- WHEREAS,** with the advent of federal legislation there is a need for a dedicated resource to provide support to member states and be a recognized resource for presenting state concerns and needs to federal entities and others;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities and the Alliance of States with Prescription Monitoring Programs form a joint committee to study the merging of the two groups and propose options to be considered at the 2006 Conferences.

ATTEST: _____
President

Date: _____