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# As FDA Lays Off Thousands, State AGs Step In to Probe Counterfeit Weight Loss Drugs

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Chris Carlson, a partner in Troutman Pepper Locke's Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement Practice Group, was quoted in the July 21, 2025 *Corporate Counsel* article, "[As FDA Lays Off Thousands, State AGs Step In to Probe Counterfeit Weight Loss Drugs](#)."

"It's a game of Whac-A-Mole, so it takes a lot of time and effort," said Christopher Carlson, a partner at Troutman Pepper Locke.

Carlson said it remains to be seen whether state AGs will bring additional enforcement actions as seen in Ohio and Connecticut.

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