

SENATE AMENDMENT 1 TO hb1984.

inserting on line 21 of page 1 between the word "or" and the word "administering" the language ", or in accordance with regulations adopted by the board,";

AND

by inserting on line 23 of page 1 between the word "prescription" and the word "of" the phrase "and order";

AND

by deleting on lines 24 and 25 of page 1 the phrase "under regulations enacted by the State Board of Pharmacy";

AND

by inserting on line 25 of page 1 between the word "Pharmacy" and the semicolon (;) the following:

". Except in accordance with regulations adopted by the board as recommended by the Medications Administration Advisory Committee, the administration of medications shall be limited to the following classifications of medications: immunizations, vaccines, allergy medications, vitamins, minerals, anti-hyper glycemics, and anti-nausea medications. The administration of medications shall not include the administration of medications to any person under the age of eighteen (18).";

AND

by inserting after the period (.) at the end of line 5 of page 3 the following:

"Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as allowing qualified pharmacy employees to administer medications.";

AND

by inserting on line 36 of page 3 between the period (.) and the quotation marks (") the following:

"All protocols shall be patient/physician/pharmacist specific for prescriptions or orders given by the physician authorizing the protocol."

AND

by inserting on line 1 of page 4 new sections of the bill to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Annotated 17-92-205 is amended to read as follows:

17-92-205. Rules and regulations - Enforcement.

(a) The Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy shall have authority to make reasonable rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, to carry out the purposes and intentions of this chapter and the pharmacy laws of this state which the board deems necessary to preserve and protect the public health. The board shall, by regulation, establish standards for the administration of medications by licensed pharmacists, including, but not limited to, the completion of a course in the administration of medications.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Board of Pharmacy, through officials appointed by it or under its supervision for that purpose, to enforce all the provisions of this chapter.

(c) The board's inspectors shall have the power and authority to inspect any store or business establishment where drugs, medicines, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, or poisons regulated by the board are manufactured, sold, or dispensed.

SECTION 4. Subchapter 2 of Chapter 92 of Title 17 is amended by adding the following new section:

17-92-209. Medications Administration Advisory Committee.

(a)(1) The Medications Administration Advisory Committee is created as an advisory committee to the board.

(2) The advisory committee shall assist the board in implementing the provisions of this chapter regarding medications administration and shall recommend additional classifications of medications which may be administered by licensed pharmacists. The board shall, by regulation, review and approve the recommendations of the advisory committee.

(b) The board shall appoint four (4) members, to be approved by the Governor, who have the following qualifications:

(1) Two (2) members shall be licensed physicians selected from a list of three (3) names per position submitted jointly by the State Medical Board and the Arkansas Medical Society; and

(2) Two (2) members shall be licensed pharmacists.

(c) Members shall serve three-year terms.

(d) The board may remove any advisory committee member, after notice and hearing, for incapacity, incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office.

(e) The members shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed to the extent special moneys are appropriated therefor for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.";

AND

by appropriately renumbering subsequent sections of the bill.