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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHARMACISTS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 461, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§461- Prescriptive authority for registered  
5 pharmacists. (a) The board shall grant prescriptive authority  
6 to qualified registered pharmacists and shall designate the  
7 requirements for registered pharmacists related to prescriptive  
8 authority. The board shall determine the exclusionary formulary  
9 for qualified registered pharmacists who are granted  
10 prescriptive authority.

11           (b) The department of commerce and consumer affairs shall  
12 establish a joint formulary advisory committee composed of:

13           (1) Three persons licensed as pharmacists and appointed by  
14 the board;

15           (2) Two persons licensed in medicine by the Hawaii medical  
16 board and appointed by the Hawaii medical board;

17           (3) One representative of the University of Hawaii John A.  
18 Burns school of medicine appointed by the dean of the



1 University of Hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine;

2 and

3 (4) One representative from a school of pharmacy.

4 The joint formulary advisory committee shall recommend the  
5 applicable formulary for persons recognized under this section.

6 The board shall consider the recommendations of the joint  
7 formulary advisory committee in adopting the formulary. The  
8 appropriate working relationship with licensed physicians shall  
9 be reflected in rules adopted by the board in accordance with  
10 chapter 91.

11 (c) The board shall establish advanced pharmacology  
12 requirements for prescriptive authority relating to education,  
13 experience, and national certification pursuant to rules adopted  
14 in accordance with chapter 91.

15 (d) Registered pharmacists shall be considered qualified  
16 if they have met the requirements of section 461-5(a), and have  
17 met the advanced pharmacology requirements for initial  
18 prescriptive authority pursuant to rules adopted by the board.  
19 Only qualified registered pharmacists authorized to diagnose,  
20 prescribe, and institute therapy or referrals of patients to  
21 health care agencies, health care providers, and community  
22 resources and, only as appropriate, to the practice specialty in



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1 which the registered pharmacist is qualified, may prescribe and  
2 administer over the counter and legend drugs, and controlled  
3 substances pursuant to this chapter and to chapter 329; provided  
4 that a registered pharmacist shall not request, receive, or sign  
5 for professional controlled substance samples."

6 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Pharmacists; Prescriptive Authority

**Description:**

Provides prescriptive authority to pharmacists pursuant to licensing by the board of pharmacy.

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