
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- Veterinary prescriptions. No pharmacist shall
5 dispense a veterinary prescription unless that pharmacist has
6 met the continuing education requirements pursuant to section
7 461-8(f)."

8 SECTION 2. Section 461-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 "§461-8 Renewal of licenses; continuing education
11 requirement. (a) All licenses issued by the board, except
12 temporary licenses issued under section 461-7, shall be renewed
13 biennially on or before December 31 of each odd-numbered year.
14 Failure to pay the biennial fee and, beginning with the renewal
15 for the licensing biennium commencing on January 1, 2008, to
16 satisfy the continuing education requirement on or before
17 December 31 of each odd-numbered year, shall constitute a
18 forfeiture of the license as of the date of expiration.



1 (b) Any license forfeited pursuant to subsection (a) may
2 be restored within three years upon payment of any penalty fee,
3 the current biennial fees, and the renewal fee for the next
4 biennium, if applicable, upon submission of proof of compliance
5 with the continuing education requirement for the prior
6 biennium, and upon meeting any other requirements specified in
7 rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91.

8 (c) In the event that the pharmacist has not engaged in
9 the practice of pharmacy in this State or in another state or
10 territory of the United States within the past five years, the
11 board may require the pharmacist to satisfy additional
12 requirements, as specified in rules adopted pursuant to chapter
13 91, to demonstrate that the pharmacist is competent to practice
14 in this State.

15 (d) Beginning with the renewal for the licensing biennium
16 commencing on January 1, 2008, and every biennial renewal
17 thereafter, each licensee shall have completed thirty credit
18 hours in continuing education courses within the two-year period
19 preceding the renewal date, regardless of the licensee's initial
20 date of licensure; provided that a licensee who has graduated
21 from an accredited pharmacy school within one year of the
22 licensee's first license renewal period shall not be subject to



1 the continuing education requirement for the first license
2 renewal. The board may extend the deadline for compliance with
3 the continuing education requirement based on any of the
4 following:

- 5 (1) Illness, as certified by a physician or osteopathic
6 physician licensed under chapter 453 or licensed in
7 the jurisdiction in which the licensee was treated;
- 8 (2) Military service under extended active duty with the
9 armed forces of the United States;
- 10 (3) Lack of access to continuing education courses due to
11 the practice of pharmacy in geographically isolated
12 areas; and
- 13 (4) Inability to undertake continuing education due to
14 incapacity, undue hardship, or other extenuating
15 circumstances.

16 (e) A pharmacist who administers the influenza vaccine to
17 persons between the ages of fourteen and seventeen years shall
18 complete a training program approved by the board within every
19 other biennial renewal period and submit proof of successful
20 completion of the training program to the board; provided that
21 the pharmacist shall meet these requirements prior to



1 administering the influenza vaccine to persons between the ages
2 of fourteen and seventeen years.

3 (f) A pharmacist who dispenses veterinary prescriptions
4 shall complete a training program approved by the board within
5 every other biennial renewal period and submit proof of
6 successful completion of the training program to the board;
7 provided that the pharmacist shall meet these requirements prior
8 to dispensing veterinary prescriptions.

9 [~~f~~] (g) Each licensee shall maintain the licensee's
10 continuing education records. At the time of renewal, each
11 licensee shall certify under oath that the licensee has complied
12 with the continuing education requirement of this section. The
13 board may require a licensee to submit, in addition to the
14 certification, evidence satisfactory to the board that
15 demonstrates compliance with the continuing education
16 requirement of this section.

17 [~~g~~] (h) The board may conduct random audits to determine
18 compliance with the continuing education requirement. The board
19 shall provide written notice of an audit to a licensee randomly
20 selected for audit. Within sixty days of notification, the
21 licensee shall provide the board with documentation verifying
22 compliance with the continuing education requirement."



1 SECTION 3. By July 1, 2015, the board of pharmacy shall
 2 develop a training program for pharmacists who dispense
 3 veterinary prescriptions. The board of pharmacy shall consult
 4 with the board of veterinary examiners to develop the training
 5 program and may adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to
 6 chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as it deems proper for the
 7 purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014;
 11 provided that sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on January 1,
 12 2016.

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Report Title:

Pharmacist; Veterinary Prescription

Description:

Requires pharmacists to complete a training program approved by the board of pharmacy to dispense veterinary prescriptions.

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