

HB 518 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL                    **518**

AN ACT                    establishing a commission to study revisions to occupational regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Merchant, Sull. 6; Rep. Rochefort, Graf. 1

COMMITTEE:          Executive Departments and Administration

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ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study revisions to occupational regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies.

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Explanation:          Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
                         Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~  
                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three*

AN ACT                    establishing a commission to study revisions to occupational regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            1 New Subdivision; Commission to Study Revisions to the Laws Governing Pharmacists and  
2 Pharmacies. Amend RSA 318 by inserting after section 68 the following new subdivision:

3                    Commission to Study Revisions to the Laws Governing Pharmacists and Pharmacies

4            318:69 Commission to Study Revisions to the Laws Governing Pharmacists and Pharmacies.

5            I. There is established a commission to study revisions to the laws governing pharmacists  
6 and pharmacies. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

7                    (a) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the  
8 executive departments and administration committee, and one of whom shall be from the health,  
9 human services and elderly affairs committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of  
10 representatives.

11                    (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

12                    (c) Two members of the New Hampshire board of pharmacy, appointed by the board.

13                    (d) One member of the New Hampshire Pharmacists Association, appointed by the  
14 association.

15                    (e) One member of the New Hampshire Health System Pharmacist Society, appointed by  
16 the society.

17                    (f) One member of the New Hampshire Independent Pharmacy association, appointed by  
18 the association.

19                    (g) One member of the New Hampshire chapter of the National Association of Chain  
20 Drug Stores, appointed by the association.

21                    (h) One member of the New Hampshire Hospital Association, appointed by the  
22 association.

23            II. Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when  
24 attending to the duties of the commission.

25            III. The commission shall study revisions to the laws governing pharmacists and pharmacies  
26 to update statutes to better reflect current standards for pharmacists and pharmacies, and make  
27 recommendations for future legislation.

28            IV. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The  
29 first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting

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1 of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Six members of  
2 the commission shall constitute quorum.

3 V. The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed  
4 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house  
5 clerk, the senate clerk, and the governor on or before November 1, 2023.

6 2 Repeal. RSA 318:69, relative to the commission to study revisions to the laws governing  
7 pharmacists and pharmacies, is repealed.

8 3 Effective Date.

9 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2023.

10 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.