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SENATE BILL **57**

AN ACT relative to allowing pharmacy technicians and interns to remotely perform non-dispensing tasks.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3; Rep. Goley, Hills. 8; Rep. Long, Hills. 10; Rep. L. Ober, Hills. 37; Rep. McGuire, Merr. 29

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill allows pharmacy technicians and interns to remotely perform non-dispensing tasks.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

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

1 76:1 New Paragraphs; Definitions. Amend RSA 318:1 by inserting after paragraph XXXIII the
2 following new paragraphs:

3 XXXIV. "Remote processing" means accessing the pharmacy database to perform non-
4 dispensing activities other than at a licensed pharmacy. The pharmacy shall establish controls to
5 protect the confidentiality and integrity of patient information, as required by HIPAA, and prevent
6 any patient information from being downloaded, duplicated, or removed from the electronic
7 database.

8 XXXV. "Non-dispensing activities" are activities permitted under that individual's scope of
9 practice that do not require the physical possession of prescription drugs. Non-dispensing activities
10 include, but are not limited to, prescription transfers, drug utilization reviews, product verification
11 tasks, claims adjudications, refill authorizations, entering patient and prescription information into
12 a pharmacy's electronic database, any other task permitted under that individual's scope of practice
13 that does not require the physical possession of prescription drugs, or other activities established by
14 rules of the board adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A.

15 76:2 New Section; Licensed Pharmacists, Certified New Hampshire Pharmacy Technicians,
16 Registered New Hampshire Pharmacy Interns; Remote Processing. Amend RSA 318 by inserting
17 after section 15-c the following new section:

18 318:15-d Remote Processing.

19 I. New Hampshire licensed pharmacists, certified New Hampshire pharmacy technicians, or
20 registered New Hampshire pharmacy interns may engage in remote processing, provided that all
21 work requiring pharmacist supervision is supervised by a licensed pharmacist through electronic or
22 other remote means.

23 II. Notwithstanding the above, the board may allow registered technicians to perform
24 remote processing activities after completion of a board-approved training program on remote
25 processing.

76:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: June 11, 2021
Effective Date: June 11, 2021