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SENATE BILL NO. 177

(By Senators Richbush, Sterner)



PASSED April 6, 1989

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Senate Bill No. 177

(BY SENATORS WIEDEBUSCH AND WARNER)

[Passed April 6, 1989; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article five, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, relating to pharmacists; and requiring annual completion of accredited program of continuing professional education.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article five, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. PHARMACISTS, ASSISTANT PHARMACISTS AND DRUGSTORES.

§30-5-3a. Legislative finding; continuing professional education required.

1 The Legislature finds and declares that because of
2 the continuous introduction of new therapeutic and
3 diagnostic agents and the changing concepts in the
4 delivery of health care services in the practice of
5 pharmacy, it is essential that a pharmacist undertake
6 a continuing education program in order to maintain
7 his or her professional competency and improve his or

8 her professional skills. To assure the continued compe-
9 tency of the pharmacist and to maintain uniform
10 qualifications and licensure in the profession of
11 pharmacy for the protection of the health and welfare
12 of its citizens, the West Virginia Legislature deems it
13 in the public interest to adopt a continuing profes-
14 sional education program for pharmacists.

15 Beginning the first day of July, one thousand nine
16 hundred ninety, no annual renewal license may be
17 issued to a pharmacist until such pharmacist has
18 submitted proof to the board of pharmacy that he or
19 she has satisfactorily completed an accredited program
20 of continuing professional education during the previ-
21 ous year to help assure his or her continued compe-
22 tence to engage in the practice of pharmacy. The
23 board shall from time to time determine the amount
24 of continuing education to be required.

25 The board shall promulgate rules pursuant to the
26 provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code
27 required to carry out the stated objectives and purpose
28 of this section.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Frederick L. Parker
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Chairman Senate Committee

Bernard V. Kelly
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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Paul C. Nichols
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Clerk of the Senate

Donald G. Stopp
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Lars Tunde
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President of the Senate

Bob Chiles
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *24th*
day of *April* 1989

Gaston Caperton
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Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

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