Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382 (Representatives Keiser, Kasper)

AN ACT to create and enact section 19-02.1-16.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pharmacy mail order and home delivery services; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. Section 19-02.1-16.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Mail order and home delivery - Prior consent - Refund.

- 1. If a pharmacy offers a prescription through home delivery or mail order delivery services, the pharmacy may not initiate delivery of a refill unless:
 - a. The pharmacy obtains prior consent from the patient or the patient's authorized representative; or
 - b. The pharmacy provides the patient with notice of the upcoming delivery through more than one communication attempt, by different means, and the patient or the patient's authorized representative does not respond indicating the patient does not want the refill.
- 2. If a pharmacy delivers a refill in violation of subsection 1:
 - a. <u>Within thirty days of the patient's or the patient's authorized representative's notification</u> of the pharmacy of the unwanted refill, the pharmacy shall refund all payments received by the pharmacy relating to the unwanted refill.
 - b. Within thirty days of the pharmacy's, patient's, or patient's authorized representative's notification of the health plan or the pharmacy benefits manager of the unwanted refill, the health plan and pharmacy benefits manager shall refund all payments received relating to the unwanted refill.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act becomes effective January 1, 2020.

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Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1382.

| House Vote: | Yeas 90 | Nays 0 | Absent 4 |
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| Senate Vote: | Yeas 47 | Nays 0 | Absent 0 |
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Chief Clerk of the House

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Governor

| Filed in this office this _ | day of | , 2019, |
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Secretary of State