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| 2 | 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017) |
| 3 | SENATE BILL 685 By: Standridge |
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| 7 | An Act relating to the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act; |
| 8 | amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 353.7, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 230, O.S.L. 2015 (59 O.S. Supp. |
| 9 | 2016, Section 353.7), which relates to powers and duties of the State Board of Pharmacy; broadening |
| 10 | authority over certain activities; and providing an effective date. |
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| 13 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: |
| 14 | SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 353.7, as |
| 15 | amended by Section 5, Chapter 230, O.S.L. 2015 (59 O.S. Supp. 2016, |
| 16 | Section 353.7), is amended to read as follows: |
| 17 | Section 353.7. The State Board of Pharmacy shall have the power |
| 18 | and duty to: |
| 19 | 1. Regulate the practice of pharmacy; |
| 20 | 2. Regulate the sale, manufacture and distribution of drugs, |
| 21 | medicines, chemicals and poisons; |
| 22 | 3. Regulate the dispensing of drugs and medicines in all places |
| 23 | where drugs and medicines are compounded and/or dispensed; |

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4. Examine and issue appropriate certificates of licensure as Doctor of Pharmacy to all applicants whom the Board deems qualified under the provisions of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act;

- 5. Issue licenses to manufacturers, repackagers, outsourcing facilities, wholesale distributors, third-party logistics providers, pharmacies, and other dispensers, medical gas suppliers, and medical gas distributors;
- 6. Issue sterile compounding and drug supplier permits for pharmacies at the fee set by the Board, with the expiration date of such permits to coincide with the pharmacy license annual expiration date;
- 7. Prescribe minimum standards with respect to floor space and other physical characteristics of pharmacies and hospital drug rooms as may be reasonably necessary for the maintenance of professional surroundings and for the protection of the safety and welfare of the public, and to refuse the issuance of new or renewal licenses for failure to comply with such standards. Minimum standards for hospital drug rooms shall be consistent with the State Department of Health, Hospital Standards, as defined in OAC 310:667;
- 8. Authorize its inspectors, compliance officers, and duly authorized representatives to enter and inspect any and all places, including premises, vehicles, equipment, contents and records, where drugs, medicines, chemicals, or poisons are stored, sold, vended,

given away, compounded, dispensed, manufactured, repackaged or transported;

- 9. Employ the number of inspectors and pharmacist compliance officers necessary to carry out the provisions of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act at an annual salary to be fixed by the Board, and to authorize necessary expenses. Such inspectors shall have the same powers and authority as that granted to peace officers by the laws of this state for the purpose of enforcing the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act. In addition, such inspectors or pharmacist compliance officers shall have the authority to take and copy records and the duty to confiscate all drugs, medicines, chemicals or poisons found to be stored, sold, vended, given away, compounded, dispensed or manufactured contrary to the provisions of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act;
 - 10. Investigate complaints, subpoena witnesses and records, initiate prosecution, and hold hearings;
 - 11. Administer oaths in all manners pertaining to the affairs of the Board and to take evidence and compel the attendance of witnesses on questions pertaining to the enforcement of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act;
 - 12. Reprimand, place on probation, suspend, revoke or take other disciplinary action and/or levy fines not to exceed Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for each count for which any holder of a certificate, license or permit has been convicted in Board

hearings. The Board may impose as part of any disciplinary action the payment of costs expended by the Board for any legal fees and costs, including, but not limited to, staff time, salary and travel expense, witness fees and attorney fees. The Board may also require additional continuing education, including attendance at a live continuing education program, and may require participation in a rehabilitation program for the impaired. The Board may take such actions singly or in combination, as the nature of the violation requires;

- 13. Adopt and establish rules of professional conduct appropriate to the establishment and maintenance of a high standard of integrity and dignity in the profession of pharmacy. Such rules shall be subject to amendment or repeal by the Board as the need may arise;
- 14. Make and publish rules such as may be necessary for carrying out and enforcing the provisions of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act, Oklahoma drug laws and rules, federal drug laws and regulations, and make such other rules as in its discretion may be necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public;
- 15. Establish and collect appropriate fees for licenses, permits, inspections, and services provided; and such fees shall be nonrefundable. Such fees shall be promulgated to implement the provisions of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act under the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act;

16. Regulate:

- a. personnel working in a pharmacy, such as interns and supportive personnel, including technicians, and issue pharmacy technician permits and intern licenses,
- b. interns, preceptors and training areas through which the training of applicants occurs for licensure as a pharmacist, and
- c. such persons regarding all aspects relating to the handling of drugs, medicines, chemicals, and poisons;
- 17. Acquire by purchase, lease, gift, solicitation of gift or by any other manner, and to maintain, use and operate or to contract for the maintenance, use and operation of or lease of any and all property of any kind, real, personal or mixed or any interest therein unless otherwise provided by the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act; provided, all contracts for real property shall be subject to the provisions of Section 63 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and
- 18. Perform other such duties, exercise other such powers and employ such personnel as the provisions and enforcement of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act may require.
- 20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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