SENATE BILL 2138

By Reeves

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63 and Title 68, relative to pharmacies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-10-310, is amended by deleting subsection (f) and substituting:

(f)

(1) The board may license and register pharmacists, pharmacies, wholesalers, distributors, pharmacy technicians, pharmacy interns, manufacturers, third-party logistics providers, and other persons as may be required under federal or state law. This subdivision (f)(1) does not include manufacturers' representatives unless otherwise required by federal or state law.

(2)

- (A) The board has the authority to license ambulatory surgical treatment centers as defined in § 68-11-201(3); provided, however, this section does not require the licensure of an ambulatory surgical treatment center that is not engaged in the practice of pharmacy.
- (B) An ambulatory surgical treatment center that applies to the board for licensure shall designate to the board either a pharmacist-in-charge, as defined in § 63-10-204(35), or a medical director who is licensed as a physician under part 6 or part 9 of this title, as the person who has the authority and responsibility for compliance with laws and

rules pertaining to the practice of pharmacy at the ambulatory surgical treatment center.

(C) The board shall establish fees necessary to carry out this section pursuant to § 63-10-312.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of promulgating rules, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect July 1, 2025, the public welfare requiring it.

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