

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 998

HOUSE BILL NO. 2660

By Mr. Speaker Sexton, Representatives Lafferty, Russell, Eldridge, Reedy, Todd

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2457

By Senators Reeves, Haile

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 56, relative to the department of commerce and insurance's ability to promulgate rules.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-3101, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following new subsection:

(b)

- (1) The commissioner of commerce and insurance shall promulgate rules to effectuate the purposes of this part and part 32 of this chapter, including, but not limited to, rules to:
 - (A) Implement pharmacy benefits manager audits that are necessary to ensure compliance with this part and part 32 of this chapter; provided, such audits must not occur more than once every three (3) years unless the commissioner determines there is a need to investigate the financial condition of or legality of conduct by a pharmacy benefits manager;
 - (B) Provide for additional requirements for pharmacy benefits managers to obtain licensure pursuant to § 56-7-3113;
 - (C) Implement a complaint and administrative hearing process to effectuate \S 56-7-3110; and
 - (D) Provide for such fees as the commissioner determines are reasonably necessary to administer this part and part 32 of this chapter, including, but not limited to, a fee to cover the cost of supervising compliance with this part and part 32 of this chapter, payable by a pharmacy benefits manager upon being the subject of an audit pursuant to this section.
- (2) Rules must be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5. A violation of any rule issued pursuant to this section is a violation of this part.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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