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HOUSE BILL DRH30333-NB-73

Short Title: Allow Pharmacists to Distrib. Certain Meds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Sasser.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER CERTAIN  
3 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR THE TREATMENT OF THE HUMAN  
4 IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.(a)** G.S. 90-85.15B is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 "(c1) An immunizing pharmacist may administer controlled substances for the prevention  
8 of human immunodeficiency virus, including controlled substances prescribed for pre-exposure  
9 and post-exposure prophylaxis pursuant to guidelines and recommendations of the Centers for  
10 Disease Control and Prevention to persons at least 18 years of age pursuant to a specific  
11 prescription order by a prescriber. An immunizing pharmacist who administers a controlled  
12 substance pursuant to this subsection shall do all of the following:

13 (1) Maintain a record of any administration of a controlled substance performed  
14 by the immunizing pharmacist to the patient in a patient profile or record.

15 (2) Within 72 hours after the administration of the controlled substance performed  
16 by the immunizing pharmacist to the patient, notify the patient's primary care  
17 provider identified by the patient."

18 **SECTION 1.(b)** G.S. 90-85.3(i1) reads as rewritten:

19 "(i1) "Immunizing pharmacist" means a licensed pharmacist who meets all of the following  
20 qualifications:

21 ...

22 (6) Administers ~~vaccines~~-vaccines, controlled substances, or immunizations in  
23 accordance with G.S. 90-18.15B."

24 **SECTION 1.(c)** The North Carolina Board of Pharmacy shall collaborate with the  
25 North Carolina Medical Board and the Department of Health and Human Services to develop  
26 protocols and administrative rules to facilitate the administration of the authorized controlled  
27 substances pursuant to this act.

28 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021.

