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HOUSE BILL DRH10290-MG-84

Short Title: Ivermectin Access Act.

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Sponsors: Representative Almond.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE HEALTH DIRECTOR TO ISSUE A STATEWIDE
3 STANDING ORDER TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE IVERMECTIN
4 WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION; AND PROVIDING IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL OR
5 CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR THE STATE HEALTH DIRECTOR AND ANY
6 PHARMACIST WHO DISPENSES IVERMECTIN PURSUANT TO THE STATEWIDE
7 STANDING ORDER.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** Article 6 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended by
10 adding a new Part to read:

11 "Part 2A. Statewide Standing Order to Control the Spread of Disease.

12 "**§ 130A-158.15. Statewide standing order for the dispensing of ivermectin.**

13 (a) The State Health Director shall issue a statewide standing order authorizing a
14 pharmacist licensed under Article 4A of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes to dispense
15 ivermectin suitable for human use without a written prescription or consultation with a healthcare
16 professional.

17 (b) A pharmacist licensed under Article 4A of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes may
18 dispense ivermectin in accordance with the statewide standing order issued pursuant to
19 subsection (a) of this section.

20 (c) All of the following individuals are immune from any civil or criminal liability for
21 actions authorized by this section as follows:

22 (1) The State Health Director acting pursuant to this section.

23 (2) Any pharmacist who dispenses ivermectin pursuant to a statewide standing
24 order issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

25 "**§§ 130A-158.16. through 130A-158.20.** Reserved for future codification purposes."

26 **SECTION 2.** The State Health Director shall issue the statewide standing order
27 authorized by G.S. 130A-158.15(a), as enacted by Section 1 of this act, by October 1, 2025.

28 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

