

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to automated pharmacy systems.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Sections 562.109(a), (b), (d), and (e),
5 Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows:

6 (a) In this section, "automated pharmacy system" means a
7 mechanical system that:

8 (1) dispenses prescription drugs; ~~and~~
9 (2) delivers completed prescription drug orders; and
10 (3) maintains related transaction information.

11 (b) A Class A or Class C pharmacy may provide pharmacy
12 services through an automated pharmacy system in a facility that is
13 not at the same location as the Class A or Class C pharmacy. The
14 pharmacist in charge of the Class A or Class C pharmacy is
15 responsible for filling and loading the storage containers for:

16 (1) medication stored in bulk at the facility; or
17 (2) completed prescription drug orders.

18 (d) An automated pharmacy system may be located only at:

19 (1) a health care facility regulated by the state; or
20 (2) in a secure location approved by the board.

21 (e) The board shall adopt rules regarding the use of an
22 automated pharmacy system under this section, including:

23 (1) the types of health care facilities or secure
24 locations at which an automated pharmacy system may be located[,

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1 ~~which shall include a facility regulated under Chapter 142, 242, or~~
2 ~~252, Health and Safety Code];~~

3 (2) recordkeeping requirements; ~~and~~

4 (3) security requirements; and

5 (4) patient counseling requirements.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.