

The House Committee on Health & Human Services offers the following substitute to HB 1427:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 4 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 pharmacists and pharmacies, so as to change certain definitions relative to the "Georgia
3 Pharmacy Practice Act"; to change certain provisions relating to powers of the board; to
4 change certain provisions relating to personnel to be employed; to change certain provisions
5 relating to wholesale drug distributors; to change certain provisions relating to drug therapy
6 modification certification; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
7 other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Chapter 4 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pharmacists and
11 pharmacies, is amended in Code Section 26-4-5, relating to definitions, by adding a new
12 paragraph (3.1) to read as follows:

13 "(3.1) 'Centralized prescription filling' means the filling of a prescription by one
14 pharmacy upon request by another pharmacy to fill or refill the prescription. The term
15 includes the performance by one pharmacy for another pharmacy of other pharmacy
16 duties, including, but not limited to, drug utilization review, patient counseling, and the
17 obtaining of refill authorizations."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 26-4-28, relating to powers, duties, and
20 authority of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, by striking paragraph (6) of subsection
21 (a) and inserting in its place the following:

22 "(6) The licensure and regulation of all pharmacies, including, but not limited to, retail,
23 hospital, institutional, clinic, and centralized prescription filling pharmacies that dispense
24 drugs to any patient within this state, and pharmacy interns;"

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SECTION 6.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.