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S.B. No. 957

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the maintenance at certain institutions of controlled  
3 substances and dangerous drugs in an emergency medication kit.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 562.108, Occupations Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a veterans home, as  
8 defined by Section 164.002, Natural Resources Code, that is  
9 licensed under Chapter 242, Health and Safety Code, may contract  
10 with a United States Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacy or  
11 another federally operated pharmacy for that pharmacy to maintain  
12 controlled substances and dangerous drugs in an emergency medical  
13 kit used at the home. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs  
14 may be used only for the emergency medication needs of a resident of  
15 the home.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.