

1-1 By: Van de Putte S.B. No. 957  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2003; March 13, 2003, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs and  
1-4 Military Installations; April 8, 2003, reported favorably by the  
1-5 following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; April 8, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the maintenance at certain institutions of controlled  
1-9 substances and dangerous drugs in an emergency medication kit.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 562.108, Occupations Code, is amended by  
1-12 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-13 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a veterans home, as  
1-14 defined by Section 164.002, Natural Resources Code, that is  
1-15 licensed under Chapter 242, Health and Safety Code, may contract  
1-16 with a United States Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacy or  
1-17 another federally operated pharmacy for that pharmacy to maintain  
1-18 controlled substances and dangerous drugs in an emergency medical  
1-19 kit used at the home. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs  
1-20 may be used only for the emergency medication needs of a resident of  
1-21 the home.

1-22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-25 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-26 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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