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H.B. No. 820

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the labeling requirements for drugs dispensed to  
3 consumers by pharmacists.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 562.006(a), Occupations Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (a) The [~~Unless otherwise directed by the practitioner,~~  
8 ~~the~~] label on the dispensing container must indicate:

9 (1) the actual drug dispensed, indicated by either [~~+~~  
10 [~~(1)~~] the brand name [~~+~~] or,  
11 [~~(2)~~] if there is not a brand name, the generic name;  
12 [~~+~~]

13 (2) the strength of the drug; [~~and~~]

14 (3) the name of the manufacturer or distributor of the  
15 drug;

16 (4) the expiration date of the effectiveness of the  
17 drug dispensed;

18 (5) the condition for which the drug was prescribed,  
19 if the patient requests this information and the condition is  
20 indicated on the prescription; and

21 (6) a color image of a single dose of the drug  
22 dispensed.

23 SECTION 2. Section 562.006, Occupations Code, as amended by  
24 this Act, applies only to a drug dispensed on or after the effective

1 date of this Act. A drug dispensed before the effective date of  
2 this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before the  
3 effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in  
4 effect for that purpose.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.