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H.B. No. 1953

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the labeling requirements for drugs dispensed by pharmacists.

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

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

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

(1) the name, address, and telephone number of the pharmacy;

(2) the date the prescription is dispensed;

(3) the name of the prescribing practitioner;

(4) the name of the patient, or if the drug was prescribed for an animal, the species of the animal and the name of the owner;

(5) instructions for use;

(6) the quantity dispensed;

(7) the date after which the prescription should not be used, determined according to criteria established by board rule;

(8) unless otherwise directed by the practitioner, the actual drug dispensed, indicated by either:

(A) ~~[(1)]~~ the brand name; or

(B) ~~[(2)]~~ if there is not a brand name, the

1 generic name, the strength of the drug, and the name of the  
2 manufacturer or distributor of the drug; and

3 (9) any other information required by board rule.

4 SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2007, the Texas State  
5 Board of Pharmacy shall adopt any rules necessary to implement  
6 Section 562.006, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act.

7 SECTION 3. Section 562.006, Occupations Code, as amended by  
8 this Act, applies only to a drug dispensed on or after January 1,  
9 2008.

10 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.