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HOUSE BILL 96

Short Title: Allow Pharmacists to Admin. Injectable Drugs. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Sasser, Setzer, White, and Adcock (Primary Sponsors).
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the House

February 17, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INJECTABLE DRUGS.
Whereas, it is the intention of the North Carolina General Assembly to improve access
to care and health outcomes for its citizens; and
Whereas, North Carolina citizens benefit from health care providers practicing at the
top of their license; and
Whereas, pharmacists are essential health care providers; and
Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for services from all
health care professionals; Now, therefore,
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) G.S. 90-85.3A reads as rewritten:
"§ 90-85.3A. Practice of pharmacy.

...
(b) A pharmacist may advise and educate patients and health care providers concerning
therapeutic values, content, uses, and significant problems of drugs and devices; assess, record,
and report adverse drug and device reactions; take and record patient histories relating to drug
and device therapy; administer injectable drugs; monitor, record, and report drug therapy and
device usage; perform drug utilization reviews; and participate in drug and drug source selection
and device and device source selection as provided in G.S. 90-85.27 through G.S. 90-85.31.

(c) An immunizing pharmacist is authorized and permitted to administer injectable drugs
as provided in G.S. 90-85.15B, and in accordance with rules adopted by each of the Board of
Pharmacy, the Board of Nursing, and the North Carolina Medical Board. These rules shall be
designed to ensure the safety and health of the patients for whom such injectable drugs are
administered.

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SECTION 1.(b) This section becomes effective October 1, 2021, and applies to
licensed pharmacists and immunizing pharmacists on or after that date.

SECTION 2. The North Carolina Board of Pharmacy shall adopt rules to implement
the provisions of this act no later than October 1, 2021. The Board may adopt temporary rules to
comply with the deadline set in this section. Any temporary rules adopted in accordance with this
section shall remain in effect until permanent rules that replace the temporary rules become
effective.

SECTION 3. Except where otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes
law.

