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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR PHYSICIANS TO OBTAIN A PHARMACY PERMIT AND TO REQUIRE PHYSICIANS WHO DISPENSE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FOR A FEE TO REGISTER WITH THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-85.21(b) is repealed.

Sec. 2. G.S. 90-15.1 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 90-15.1. Registration every two years with Board.**

(a) Every person heretofore or hereafter licensed to practice medicine by ~~said the~~ Board of Medical Examiners shall, during the month of January, 1958, and during the month of January in every even-numbered year thereafter, register with the secretary-treasurer of ~~said the~~ Board his name and office and residence address and such other information as the Board may deem necessary and shall pay a registration fee fixed by the Board not in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). In the event a physician fails to register as herein provided he shall pay an additional amount of twenty dollars (\$20.00) to the Board. Should a physician fail to register and pay the fees imposed, and should such failure continue for a period of 30 days, the license of such physician may be suspended by the Board, after notice and hearing at the next regular meeting of the Board. Upon payment of all fees and penalties which are due, the license of the physician may be reinstated, subject to the Board requiring the physician to appear before the Board for an interview and to comply with other licensing requirements.

1       (b) Each physician who dispenses prescription drugs for a fee or other charge  
2 shall annually register with the Board on the form provided by the Board. Such  
3 dispensing shall comply in all respects with the relevant laws and regulations that  
4 govern the distribution of drugs, including packaging, labeling, and record keeping.  
5 The Board may establish a fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for annual  
6 registration of a dispensing physician."

7               Sec. 3. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991.