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HOUSE BILL 948

Short Title: Pharmacy Rehabilitation Program.

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Sponsors: Representative Gardner.

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Referred to: Human Resources.

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April 15, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO ESTABLISH A RECOVERY AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR PHARMACISTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-85.6 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 90-85.6. Board of Pharmacy; creation; membership; qualification of members.**

(a) Creation. – The responsibility for enforcing the provisions of this Article and the laws pertaining to the distribution and use of drugs is vested in the Board. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules for the performance of its duties. The Board shall have all of the duties, powers and authorities specifically granted by and necessary for the enforcement of this Article, as well as any other duties, powers and authorities that may be granted from time to time by other appropriate statutes. The Board may establish a program for the purpose of aiding in the recovery and rehabilitation of pharmacists who have become addicted to controlled substances or alcohol, and the Board may use money collected as fees to fund such a program.

(b) Membership. – The Board shall consist of six members, one of whom shall be a representative of the public, and the remainder of whom shall be pharmacists.

(c) Qualifications. – The public member of the Board shall not be a health care provider or the spouse of a health care provider. He shall not be enrolled in a program to prepare him to be a health care provider. The public member of the Board shall be a

1 resident of this State at the time of his appointment and while serving as a Board  
2 member. The pharmacist members of the Board shall be residents of this State at the  
3 time of their appointment and while serving as Board members."

4 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.