

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 1028
 SPONSOR: Senator Peaden
 SUBJECT: Pharmacy/Continuing Education
 DATE: January 26, 2002 REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Munroe	Wilson	HC	Favorable
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
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I. Summary:

The bill revises the continuing education requirements for pharmacy license renewal so that any Florida-licensed pharmacist who submits satisfactory proof to the Board of Pharmacy that he or she has participated in not less than 30 hours of continuing professional pharmaceutical education courses approved by the board during the 2 year license renewal period no longer has to show that he or she participated in no less than 15 hours per year to satisfy the requirement.

This bill amends section 465.009, Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

Chapter 465, F.S., provides for the regulation of the practice of pharmacy by the Board of Pharmacy. Section 465.009, F.S., specifies requirements for continuing professional pharmaceutical education. The Department of Health may issue a license renewal to any Florida-licensed pharmacist who submits satisfactory proof to the Board of Pharmacy that he or she has participated in not less than 15 hours per year of continuing professional pharmaceutical education in courses approved by the board.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill revises the continuing education requirements for pharmacy license renewal under section 465.009, Florida Statutes, so that any Florida-licensed pharmacist who submits satisfactory proof to the Board of Pharmacy that he or she has participated in not less than 30 hours of continuing professional pharmaceutical education courses approved by the board during the 2 year license renewal period no longer has to show that he or she participated in no less than 15 hours per year to satisfy the requirement.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

The provisions of this bill have no impact on municipalities and the counties under the requirements of Art. VII, s. 18 of the Florida Constitution.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

The provisions of this bill have no impact on public records or open meetings issues under the requirements of Art. I, s. 24(a) and (b) of the Florida Constitution.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

The provisions of this bill have no impact on the trust fund restrictions under the requirements of Art. III, s. 19(f) of the Florida Constitution.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.