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By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Grimsley

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.014, F.S.; increasing the number of registered pharmacy technicians which a licensed pharmacist may supervise; amending s. 465.004, F.S.; revising the composition of the Board of Pharmacy; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 465.014, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

465.014 Pharmacy technician.

(1) A person other than a licensed pharmacist or pharmacy intern may not engage in the practice of the profession of pharmacy, except that a licensed pharmacist may delegate to pharmacy technicians who are registered pursuant to this section those duties, tasks, and functions that do not fall within the purview of s. 465.003(13). All such delegated acts must shall be performed under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist who is shall be responsible for all such acts performed by persons under his or her supervision. A pharmacy registered pharmacy technician, under the supervision of a pharmacist, may initiate or receive communications with a practitioner or his or her agent, on behalf of a patient, regarding refill authorization requests. A licensed pharmacist may not supervise more than one registered pharmacy technician unless otherwise permitted by the guidelines adopted by the board. The board shall establish guidelines to be followed by licensees or permittees in determining the circumstances under which a

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licensed pharmacist may supervise more than one but not more than three pharmacy technician technicians.

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 465.004, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

465.004 Board of Pharmacy.-

(2) Seven members of the board must be licensed pharmacists who are residents of this state and who have been engaged in the practice of the profession of pharmacy in this state for at least 4 years and, to the extent practicable, represent the various pharmacy practice settings. Of the pharmacist members, three one must be currently engaged in the practice of pharmacy in a community pharmacy, three one must be currently engaged in the practice of pharmacy in a Class II institutional pharmacy or a Modified Class II institutional pharmacy, and one five shall be a pharmacist pharmacists licensed in this state irrespective of practice setting. The remaining two members must be residents of the state who have never been licensed as pharmacists and who are in no way connected with the practice of the profession of pharmacy. No person may be appointed as a consumer member who is in any way connected with a drug manufacturer or wholesaler. At least one member of the board must be 60 years of age or older.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.