

	LEGISLATIVE	ACTION	
Senate	•		House

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Senator Harrell moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 465.019, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

465.019 Institutional pharmacies; permits.-

(4)(a) Medicinal drugs shall be dispensed in an institutional pharmacy to outpatients only when that institution has secured a community pharmacy permit from the department. However, an individual licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs in

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this state may dispense up to a 24-hour supply of a medicinal drug to any patient of, or patient discharged from, an emergency department of a hospital that operates a Class II or Class III institutional pharmacy, provided that the physician who is treating the patient in such hospital's emergency department, or who is treating the discharged patient, determines that the medicinal drug is warranted and that community pharmacy services are not readily accessible, geographically or otherwise, to the patient. Such prescribing and dispensing from the emergency department must be in accordance with the procedures of the hospital. For any such patient for whom a medicinal drug is warranted for a period to exceed 24 hours, an individual licensed to prescribe such drug must be for the greater of dispense a 24-hour supply of such drug or a supply of such drug which will last the patient until the next business day, to the patient and the prescriber must provide the patient with a prescription for such drug for use after such the initial 24hour period. (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), if a state of emergency has been declared for an area of the state pursuant to s. 252.36, an individual licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs in this state may dispense up to a 72-hour supply of a medicinal drug to any patient of, or patient discharged from, an emergency department of a hospital located in that area which operates a Class II or Class III institutional pharmacy, provided that the physician who is treating the patient in such hospital's emergency department, or who is treating the discharged patient, determines that the medicinal drug is warranted and that

community pharmacy services are not readily accessible,



geographically or otherwise, to the patient. Such dispensing from the emergency department to any patient, including a discharged patient, must be in accordance with the procedures of the hospital. For any such patient for whom a medicinal drug is warranted for a period to exceed 72 hours, an individual licensed to prescribe such drug shall dispense a 72-hour supply of such drug to the patient and shall provide the patient with a prescription for such drug for use after the initial 72-hour period.

(c) The board may adopt rules necessary to implement carry out the provisions of this subsection.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to dispensing medicinal drugs; amending s. 465.019, F.S.; authorizing individuals licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs from certain institutional pharmacies to dispense a certain supply, of such drugs to any patient of, or patient discharged from, an emergency department of certain hospitals under certain circumstances; authorizing such individuals to dispense a 72-hour supply of such drugs if a state of emergency has been declared in the area; authorizing such individuals to provide prescriptions for an additional supply of such drugs under certain



70 circumstances; providing an effective date.