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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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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12 this state may dispense up to a 48-hour ~~24-hour~~ supply of a
13 medicinal drug to any patient of, or patient discharged from, an
14 emergency department of a hospital that operates a Class II or
15 Class III institutional pharmacy, provided that the physician
16 who is treating the patient in such hospital's emergency
17 department, or who is treating the discharged patient,
18 determines that the medicinal drug is warranted and that
19 community pharmacy services are not readily accessible,
20 geographically or otherwise, to the patient. Such dispensing
21 from the emergency department to any patient, including a
22 discharged patient, must be in accordance with the procedures of
23 the hospital. For any such patient for whom a medicinal drug is
24 warranted for a period to exceed 48 ~~24~~ hours, an individual
25 licensed to prescribe such drug must dispense a 48-hour ~~24-hour~~
26 supply of such drug to the patient and must provide the patient
27 with a prescription for such drug for use after the initial 48-
28 hour ~~24-hour~~ period.

29 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), if a state of emergency
30 has been declared for an area of the state pursuant to s.
31 252.36, an individual licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs in
32 this state may dispense up to a 72-hour supply of a medicinal
33 drug to any patient of, or patient discharged from, an emergency
34 department of a hospital located in that area which operates a
35 Class II or Class III institutional pharmacy, provided that the
36 physician who is treating the patient in such hospital's
37 emergency department, or who is treating the discharged patient,
38 determines that the medicinal drug is warranted and that
39 community pharmacy services are not readily accessible,
40 geographically or otherwise, to the patient. Such dispensing



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41 from the emergency department to any patient, including a
42 discharged patient, must be in accordance with the procedures of
43 the hospital. For any such patient for whom a medicinal drug is
44 warranted for a period to exceed 72 hours, an individual
45 licensed to prescribe such drug shall dispense a 72-hour supply
46 of such drug to the patient and shall provide the patient with a
47 prescription for such drug for use after the initial 72-hour
48 period.

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

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

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53 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

54 And the title is amended as follows:

55 Delete everything before the enacting clause
56 and insert:

57 A bill to be entitled
58 An act relating to dispensing medicinal drugs;
59 amending s. 465.019, F.S.; authorizing individuals
60 licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs from certain
61 institutional pharmacies to dispense a 48-hour supply,
62 rather than a 24-hour supply, of such drugs to any
63 patient of, or patient discharged from, an emergency
64 department of certain hospitals under certain
65 circumstances; authorizing such individuals to
66 dispense a 72-hour supply of such drugs if a state of
67 emergency has been declared in the area; authorizing
68 such individuals to provide prescriptions for an
69 additional supply of such drugs under certain



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circumstances; providing an effective date.