

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1385\*

Short Title: Pharmacy Personnel.

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Sponsors: Representatives Carpenter; Black and Yongue.

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Referred to: State Government.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE  
3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO DEFINE  
4 PHARMACY PERSONNEL, PHARMACY TECHNICIANS, AND ALLOW THE  
5 BOARD OF PHARMACY TO REGISTER PHARMACY TECHNICIANS AND  
6 CHARGE A FEE.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 Section 1. G.S. 90-85.3 is amended by adding two new subsections to read:

9 "(q1) 'Pharmacy personnel' means pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.

10 (q2) 'Pharmacy technician' means unlicensed persons who spend the majority of  
11 their time dispensing as aides to and under the supervision of a pharmacist and are  
12 registered with the Board in accordance with G.S. 90-85.15A."

13 Section 2. Article 4A of Chapter 90 is amended by adding a new section to  
14 read:

15 "**§ 90-85.15A. Pharmacy technicians; registration.**

16 Pharmacy technicians shall register annually with the Board in accordance with rules  
17 adopted by the Board pursuant to Chapter 150B of the General Statutes. Pharmacy  
18 technicians shall also pay the registration fee in accordance with G.S. 90-85.24."

19 Section 3. G.S. 90-85.21(a) reads as rewritten:

20 "**§ 90-85.21. Pharmacy permit.**

1 (a) In accordance with Board regulations, each pharmacy in North Carolina shall  
2 annually register with the Board on a form provided by the Board. The application shall  
3 identify the pharmacist-manager of the pharmacy and all ~~pharmacist-pharmacy~~ pharmacy personnel  
4 employed in the pharmacy. All pharmacist-managers shall notify the Board of any  
5 change in ~~pharmacist-pharmacy~~ pharmacy personnel within 30 days of such change."

6 Section 4. G.S. 90-85.24 reads as rewritten:  
7 "**§ 90-85.24. Fees collectible by Board.**

8 The Board of Pharmacy shall be entitled to charge and collect not more than the  
9 following fees: for the examination of an applicant for license as a pharmacist, one  
10 hundred sixty dollars (\$160.00) plus the cost of the test material; for renewing the license  
11 as a pharmacist, one hundred ten dollars (\$110.00); for renewing the license of an  
12 assistant pharmacist, ten dollars (\$10.00); for licenses without examination as provided in  
13 G.S. 90-85.20, original, four hundred dollars (\$400.00); for original registration of a  
14 pharmacy, three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00), and renewal thereof, one hundred  
15 seventy-five dollars (\$175.00); for annual registration as a dispensing physician under  
16 G.S. 90-85.21(b), fifty dollars (\$50.00); for annual registration as a dispensing physician  
17 assistant under G.S. 90-18.1, fifty dollars (\$50.00); for annual registration as a dispensing  
18 nurse practitioner under G.S. 90-18.2, fifty dollars (\$50.00); for the annual registration of  
19 pharmacy technicians, twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); ~~for registration of any change in~~  
20 ~~pharmacist personnel as required under G.S. 90-85.21(a), twenty five dollars (\$25.00);~~ for a  
21 duplicate of any license, permit, or registration issued by the Board, twenty-five dollars  
22 (\$25.00); for registration to dispense devices, deliver medical equipment, or both, three  
23 hundred dollars (\$300.00) per year. All fees shall be paid before any applicant may be  
24 admitted to examination or the applicant's name may be placed upon the register of  
25 ~~pharmacists-pharmacy~~ pharmacy personnel, or before any license or permit, or any renewal thereof,  
26 may be issued by the Board."

27 Section 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.