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HOUSE BILL No. 2510

By Committee on Vision 2020

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AN ACT concerning pharmacy technicians; relating to qualifications,
 expiration and renewal of registration; revocation, suspension or
 limitation of registration; responsibilities of pharmacists and pharmacy;
 amending K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-1663 and repealing the existing
 section.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-1663 is hereby amended to read as 9 follows: 65-1663. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to function as a pharmacy technician in this state unless such person is registered with the 10 board as a pharmacy technician. Every person registered as a pharmacy 11 12 technician shall pass-an examination one or more examinations identified 13 and approved by the board within 30 days of the period or periods of time 14 specified by the board after becoming registered. The board shall adopt 15 rules and regulations identifying the required examinations, when they must be passed and establishing the criteria for the required examination 16 17 examinations and a passing score scores. The board may include as a 18 required examination any national pharmacy technician certification 19 examination.

(b) All applications for registration shall be made on a form to be
prescribed and furnished by the board. Each application for registration
shall be accompanied by a registration fee fixed by the board by rule and
regulation-of not to exceed \$50.

(c) The board shall take into consideration any felony conviction of
 an applicant, but such conviction shall not automatically operate as a bar to
 registration.

27 (d) Each pharmacy technician registration issued by the board shall 28 expire on October 31 of the year specified by the board. Each applicant for 29 renewal of a pharmacy technician registration shall be made on a form 30 prescribed and furnished by the board and shall be accompanied by a 31 renewal fee fixed by the board by rule and regulation-of not to exceed \$25. 32 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the application for 33 registration renewal, when accompanied by the renewal fee and evidence 34 satisfactory to the board that the person has successfully complied with 35 the rules and regulations of the board establishing the requirements for a program of continuing pharmacy technician education and received by the 36

1 executive secretary of the board on or before the date of expiration of the 2 registration, shall have the effect of temporarily renewing the applicant's 3 registration until actual issuance or denial of the renewal registration. If at 4 the time of filing a proceeding is pending before the board which may 5 result in the suspension, probation, revocation or denial of the applicant's 6 registration, the board may by emergency order declare that the application 7 for renewal shall not have the effect of temporarily renewing such 8 applicant's registration. If the renewal fee is not paid by December 1 of the 9 renewal year, the registration is void.

10 (e) (1) The board may limit, suspend or revoke a registration or deny 11 an application for issuance or renewal of any registration as a pharmacy 12 technician on any ground, which would authorize the board to take action 13 against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627, and 14 amendments thereto.

(2) The board may require a physical or mental examination, or both,of a person applying for or registered as a pharmacy technician.

17 (3) The board may temporarily suspend or temporarily limit the 18 registration of any pharmacy technician in accordance with the emergency 19 adjudicative proceedings under the Kansas administrative procedure act if 20 the board determines that there is cause to believe that grounds exist for 21 disciplinary action under this section against the registrant and that the 22 registrant's continuation of pharmacy technician functions would constitute 23 an imminent danger to the public health and safety.

(4) Proceedings under this section shall be subject to the Kansasadministrative procedure act.

(f) Every registered pharmacy technician, within 30 days of obtaining
new employment, shall furnish the board's executive secretary notice of
the name and address of the new employer.

(g) Each pharmacy shall at all times maintain a list of the names of 29 pharmacy technicians employed by the pharmacy. A pharmacy technician 30 31 shall work under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist. It shall 32 be the responsibility of the supervising pharmacist to determine that the 33 pharmacy technician is in compliance with the applicable rules and 34 regulations of the board, and the supervising pharmacist shall be 35 responsible for the acts and omissions of the pharmacy technician in the 36 performance of the pharmacy technician's duties. The ratio of pharmacy 37 technicians to pharmacists in the prescription area of a pharmacy shall be 38 prescribed by the board by rule and regulation. Any change in the ratio of 39 pharmacy technicians to pharmacists in the prescription area of the 40 pharmacy must be adopted by a vote of no less than six members of the 41 board

42 (h) A person holding a pharmacy technician registration shall display43 such registration in that part of the place of business in which such person

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- is engaged in pharmacy technician activities. 1
- The board shall adopt such rules and regulations as are necessary 2 (i) to ensure that pharmacy technicians are adequately trained as to the nature 3 and scope of their lawful duties. 4
- (j) The board may adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to 5 carry out the purposes and enforce the provisions of this act. 6
- (k) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the pharmacy act 7 8 of the state of Kansas.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-1663 is hereby repealed.Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 10 publication in the statute book. 11