



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 973

SENATE BILL NO. 2060

By Briggs, McNally, Hensley, Haile, Bowling, Massey, Yager, Kyle, Bailey, Green, Jackson

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2126

By Terry, Hicks, Powers, Smith

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, relative to dispensing opioids or benzodiazepines.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-154, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(8) in its entirety and substituting the following:

(8) The dispensing of an opioid or benzodiazepine by a physician practice that provides healthcare services that:

(A) Dispenses opioids and benzodiazepines, as directed by the patient's prescription, in safety-sealed, prepackaged containers stamped with the manufacturer's national drug code (NDC) number;

(B) Administers and records pill-counts for opioids or benzodiazepines in order to ensure patient compliance with the prescription;

(C) Dispenses non-controlled substances which amount to at least fifty percent (50%) of the prescriptions filled annually from the practice; and

(D) Submits controlled substance dispensing information to the controlled substances monitoring database under title 53, chapter 10, part 3, according to the requirements of state law; or

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon become a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 18, 2016



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 27th day of April 2016



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR