## Adopted SUBSTITUTE NO 1 FOR COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 972

BY: Senator(s) Ross, Nunnelee

## Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 SECTION 1. (1) Any community pharmacy, including a faith-based community pharmacy, or any licensed pharmacist who 8 9 voluntarily provides charitable services in a community pharmacy, 10 or any other person who serves as a volunteer in a community 11 pharmacy, shall be immune from liability for any civil action arising out of supplying pharmaceutical products in the course of 12 13 providing such charitable or gratuitous pharmaceutical products. 14 This section shall not extend immunity to acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct or to the manufacturer or designer 15 of products provided. 16

Any community pharmacy seeking immunity under this 17 (2) 18 section shall post a notice, in a conspicuous place adjacent to 19 the area where prescriptions are picked up by consumers, reading substantially as follows: "NOTICE: If you are harmed by 20 21 medication that you receive here, you do not have the same legal recourse as you have against other pharmacies." 2.2 Failure to post 23 the notice negates the immunity from liability provided under this 24 section. The notice shall be no less than eleven (11) by fourteen 25 (14) inches in size, and the type used shall be no smaller than

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26 thirty-six (36) point and surrounded by a one-inch solid black 27 border.

(3) For purposes of this section, "community pharmacy" means a pharmacy operated solely for charitable purposes, whose only function is to supply gratuitous pharmaceutical products, and which is operated by a nonprofit organization qualified or eligible for qualification as a tax-exempt organization under 26 USCS 501.

34 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 35 and after July 1, 2005.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A COMMUNITY PHARMACY, AND THE LICENSED 2 PHARMACISTS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS WHO WORK IN THE PHARMACY, SHALL 3 BE IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY FOR ANY CIVIL ACTION ARISING OUT OF 4 PROVIDING CHARITABLE OR GRATUITOUS PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS; AND 5 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.