

By: Representative Holland

To: Public Health and Human Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-21-91, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REVISE THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
3 ANNUAL RENEWAL OF A LICENSE TO PRACTICE PHARMACY; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 73-21-91, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 73-21-91. (1) Except as provided in Section 33-1-39, every
9 pharmacist shall renew his license annually. To renew his
10 license, a pharmacist shall:

11 (a) Submit an application for renewal on the form
12 prescribed by the board;

13 (b) Indicate on the renewal application form the number
14 of continuing education hours earned for licensure. For the
15 licensure period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on
16 December 31, 2010, and for each subsequent licensure period, one
17 (1) continuing education unit consisting of ten (10) clock hours
18 is required for renewal;

19 (c) Pay any renewal fees as required by the board, not
20 to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each annual licensing
21 period, provided that the board may add a surcharge of not more
22 than Five Dollars (\$5.00) to a license renewal fee to fund a
23 program to aid impaired pharmacists or pharmacy students. Any
24 pharmacist license renewal received postmarked after December 31
25 of the renewal period will be returned and a Fifty Dollar (\$50.00)
26 late renewal fee will be assessed before renewal.

27 (2) Any pharmacist who has defaulted in license renewal may
28 be reinstated within two (2) years upon payment of renewal fees in



29 arrears and presentation of evidence of the required continuing
30 education. Any pharmacist defaulting in license renewal for a
31 period in excess of two (2) years shall be required to
32 successfully complete the examination given by the board pursuant
33 to Section 73-21-85 before being eligible for reinstatement as a
34 pharmacist in Mississippi, or shall be required to appear before
35 the board to be examined for his competence and knowledge of the
36 practice of pharmacy, and may be required to submit evidence of
37 continuing education. If the person is found fit by the board to
38 practice pharmacy in this state, the board may reinstate his
39 license to practice pharmacy upon payment of all renewal fees in
40 arrears.

41 (3) Each application or filing made under this section shall
42 include the social security number(s) of the applicant in
43 accordance with Section 93-11-64.

44 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
45 and after July 1, 2010.

