

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3321 of the Code of Virginia, relating to registration of pharmacy*
3 *technicians in free clinics.*

4 [H 623]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 54.1-3321 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 54.1-3321. Registration of pharmacy technicians.

9 A. No person shall perform the duties of a pharmacy technician without first being registered as a
10 pharmacy technician with the Board. Upon being registered with the Board as a pharmacy technician,
11 the following tasks may be performed:

12 1. The entry of prescription information and drug history into a data system or other record keeping
13 system;

14 2. The preparation of prescription labels or patient information;

15 3. The removal of the drug to be dispensed from inventory;

16 4. The counting, measuring, or compounding of the drug to be dispensed;

17 5. The packaging and labeling of the drug to be dispensed and the repackaging thereof;

18 6. The stocking or loading of automated dispensing devices or other devices used in the dispensing
19 process;

20 7. The acceptance of refill authorization from a prescriber or his authorized agency, so long as there
21 is no change to the original prescription; and

22 8. The performance of any other task restricted to pharmacy technicians by the Board's regulations.

23 B. To be registered as a pharmacy technician, a person shall submit satisfactory evidence that he is
24 of good moral character and has satisfactorily completed a training program and examination that meet
25 the criteria approved by the Board in regulation or that he holds current certification from the Pharmacy
26 Technician Certification Board.

27 C. A pharmacy intern may perform the duties set forth for pharmacy technicians in subsection A
28 when registered with the Board for the purpose of gaining the practical experience required to apply for
29 licensure as a pharmacist.

30 D. In addition, a person enrolled in an approved training program for pharmacy technicians may
31 engage in the acts set forth in subsection A for the purpose of obtaining practical experience required
32 for registration as a pharmacy technician, so long as such activities are directly monitored by a
33 supervising pharmacist.

34 E. The Board shall promulgate regulations establishing requirements for evidence of continued
35 competency as a condition of renewal of a registration as a pharmacy technician.

36 F. *The Board shall waive the initial registration fee and the first examination fee for the*
37 *Board-approved examination for a pharmacy technician applicant who works as a pharmacy technician*
38 *exclusively in a free clinic pharmacy. If such applicant fails the examination, he shall be responsible for*
39 *any subsequent fees to retake the examination. A person registered pursuant to this subsection shall be*
40 *issued a limited-use registration. A pharmacy technician with a limited-use registration shall not*
41 *perform pharmacy technician tasks in any setting other than a free clinic pharmacy. The Board shall*
42 *also waive renewal fees for such limited-use registrations. A pharmacy technician with a limited-use*
43 *registration may convert to an unlimited registration by paying the current renewal fee.*

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