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1 **SENATE BILL NO. 1198**
2 Offered January 11, 2023
3 Prefiled January 10, 2023
4 *A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3467 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Drug Control Act;*
5 *prohibition of distribution of hypodermic needles; exception.*
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8 Referred to Committee on Education and Health
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10 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**
11 **1. That § 54.1-3467 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**
12 **§ 54.1-3467. Distribution of hypodermic needles or syringes, gelatin capsules, quinine or any of**
13 **its salts.**
14 A. Distribution by any method, of any hypodermic needles or syringes, gelatin capsules, quinine or
15 any of its salts, in excess of one-fourth ounce shall be restricted to licensed pharmacists or to others
16 who have received a license or a permit from the Board.
17 B. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the dispensing or distributing of hypodermic needles and
18 syringes by persons authorized by the State Health Commissioner pursuant to a comprehensive harm
19 reduction program established pursuant to § 32.1-45.4 who are acting in accordance with the standards
20 and protocols of such program for the duration of the declared public health emergency.
21 C. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the dispensing or distributing of hypodermic needles and
22 syringes by persons authorized to dispense naloxone in accordance with the provisions of subsection Y
23 of § 54.1-3408 and who, in conjunction with such dispensing of naloxone, dispenses or distributes
24 hypodermic needles and syringes. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the dispensing of hypodermic
25 needles and syringes for the administration of prescribed drugs by prescribers licensed to dispense
26 Schedule VI controlled substances at a nonprofit facility pursuant to § 54.1-3304.1.
27 *D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, nothing in this section shall prohibit the*
28 *distribution of hypodermic needles that are designed to be used with a reusable injector pen for the*
29 *administration of insulin.*

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