## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 1997**

S 1 SENATE BILL 1200\* Short Title: Pharmacy Personnel. (Public) Sponsors: Senator Kerr. Referred to: Finance. May 21, 1998 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO DEFINE PHARMACY PERSONNEL, PHARMACY TECHNICIANS, AND ALLOW THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO REGISTER PHARMACY TECHNICIANS AND CHARGE A FEE. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 90-85.3 is amended by adding two new subsections to read: "(q1) 'Pharmacy personnel' means pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. (q2) 'Pharmacy technician' means unlicensed persons who spend the majority of their time dispensing as aides to and under the supervision of a pharmacist and are registered with the Board in accordance with G.S. 90-85.15A." Section 2. Article 4A of Chapter 90 is amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 90-85.15A. Pharmacy technicans; registration. Pharmacy technicians shall register annually with the Board in accordance with rules adopted by the Board pursuant to Chapter 150B of the General Statutes. Pharmacy technicians shall also pay the registration fee in accordance with G.S. 90-85.24."

**"§ 90-85.21. Pharmacy permit.** 

Section 3. G.S. 90-85.21(a) reads as rewritten:

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(a) In accordance with Board regulations, each pharmacy in North Carolina shall annually register with the Board on a form provided by the Board. The application shall identify the pharmacist-manager of the pharmacy and all pharmacist-pharmacy personnel employed in the pharmacy. All pharmacist-managers shall notify the Board of any change in pharmacist-pharmacy personnel within 30 days of such change."

Section 4. G.S. 90-85.24 reads as rewritten:

## "§ 90-85.24. Fees collectible by Board.

The Board of Pharmacy shall be entitled to charge and collect not more than the following fees: for the examination of an applicant for license as a pharmacist, one hundred sixty dollars (\$160.00) plus the cost of the test material; for renewing the license as a pharmacist, one hundred ten dollars (\$110.00); for renewing the license of an assistant pharmacist, ten dollars (\$10.00); for licenses without examination as provided in G.S. 90-85.20, original, four hundred dollars (\$400.00); for original registration of a pharmacy, three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00), and renewal thereof, one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175.00); for annual registration as a dispensing physician under G.S. 90-85.21(b), fifty dollars (\$50.00); for annual registration as a dispensing physician assistant under G.S. 90-18.1, fifty dollars (\$50.00); for annual registration as a dispensing nurse practitioner under G.S. 90-18.2, fifty dollars (\$50.00); for the annual registration of pharmacy technicians, twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); for registration of any change in pharmacist personnel as required under G.S. 90-85.21(a), twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); for a duplicate of any license, permit, or registration issued by the Board, twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); for registration to dispense devices, deliver medical equipment, or both, three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per year. All fees shall be paid before any applicant may be admitted to examination or the applicant's name may be placed upon the register of pharmacists pharmacy personnel, or before any license or permit, or any renewal thereof, may be issued by the Board."

Section 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.