AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 40:2868(A), relative to permits issued by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; to provide for permits issued to pharmacy benefit managers; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 40:2868(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2868. Pharmacy benefit manager; regulation by Board of Pharmacy; requirements for permitting

A. A pharmacy benefit manager may obtain and maintain a permit from the Board of Pharmacy if the pharmacy benefit manager administers, develops, maintains, performs, or provides one or more of the following pharmacy services in this state or that affects one or more beneficiaries of a pharmacy benefit management plan administered by the pharmacy benefit manager:

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Brandi Cannon.

DIGEST

Present law provides that a pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) may obtain and maintain a permit from the La. Board of Pharmacy if the PBM administers, develops, maintains, performs, or provides one or more enumerated pharmacy services in Louisiana or that affects one or more beneficiaries of a pharmacy benefit management plan administered by the PBM.

Proposed law changes the authorization to obtain a permit to a requirement to obtain the permit.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 40:2868(A) (intro para))