

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 469

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

PHARMACISTS: Provides relative to the pharmacy education support fee collected by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1207(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b) and 1230(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b),
3 relative to the pharmacy education support fee; to provide relative to licenses and
4 permits issued by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; to provide for the allocation of
5 the fee; to remove requirements to receive the fee; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:1207(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b) and 1230(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b) are hereby
8 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §1207. Renewal of license, registration, and certification; expiration; reinstatement

10 A.

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12 (2)(a)(i) The board shall assess on each pharmacist license renewal as
13 required by this Section an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be
14 designated as the "pharmacy education support fee". This fee shall be dedicated and
15 allocated as specified in this Paragraph to an accredited school of pharmacy of a
16 ~~public~~ university in this state. The board shall include on each license renewal form
17 issued to a pharmacist an optional election whereby the person may elect not to remit
18 the one hundred dollar pharmacy education support fee. The board shall also include

1 on the license renewal form a list of eligible schools of pharmacy, including but not
2 limited to Xavier of Louisiana College of Pharmacy, and provide an area for the
3 pharmacist to designate which school of pharmacy receives the fee.

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5 (b) The board shall disburse all monies collected pursuant to this Paragraph
6 to ~~an~~ the accredited ~~public~~ university pharmacy school in this state selected by the
7 pharmacist on or before April first annually. The ~~public~~ university pharmacy school
8 shall utilize these monies solely for the benefit of its pharmacy education program
9 and the expenditure of such funds shall be approved by the board of supervisors of
10 the university system of which the university is a member. The funds collected
11 pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in addition to any other monies received by the
12 university that operates the pharmacy school and are intended to supplement and not
13 replace, displace, or supplant any other funds that the university receives from the
14 state or from any other source.

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16 §1230. Renewal of permits; expiration; reinstatement

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19 (2)(a)(i) The board shall assess on each pharmacy permit renewal required
20 by this Section an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be designated as
21 the "pharmacy education support fee". This fee shall be dedicated and allocated as
22 specified in this Paragraph to an accredited school of pharmacy of a ~~public~~ university
23 in this state. The board shall include on each permit renewal form issued to a
24 pharmacy an optional election whereby the pharmacy may elect not to remit the one
25 hundred dollar pharmacy education support fee. The board shall also include on the
26 permit renewal form a list of eligible schools of pharmacy, including but not limited
27 to Xavier of Louisiana College of Pharmacy, and provide an area for the pharmacist
28 to designate which school of pharmacy receives the fee.

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Present law requires the board to allocate all pharmacy education support fees collected by April first each year.

Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 37:1207(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b) and 1230(A)(2)(a)(i) and (b))