

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 253

BY SENATOR MCMATH

PUBLIC HEALTH. Provides relative to peptides. (8/1/26)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:23.5, relative to peptides; to provide for the regulation of peptides by
3 licensing boards; to provide requirements for providers and compounding
4 pharmacies; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:23.5 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§23.5. Peptides; prohibited regulations**

8 **A.(1) No professional or occupational licensing board shall prohibit a**
9 **healthcare provider with prescriptive authority from providing patients with**
10 **peptides shipped from either of the following:**

11 **(a) A FDA-registered 503B outsourcing facility that is in compliance with**
12 **21 U.S.C. 353b.**

13 **(b) A 503A compounding pharmacy that is in compliance with 21 U.S.C.**
14 **353a and applicable United States Pharmacopeia - National Formulary**
15 **chapters.**

16 **(2) The prescribing provider shall ensure any peptides prescribed**
17 **pursuant to this Section are prepared in accordance with Paragraph (1) of this**

- 1 **Subsection.**
- 2 **B. No professional or occupational licensing board shall prohibit a**
- 3 **Louisiana licensed pharmacist in a state permitted pharmacy from**
- 4 **compounding and dispensing peptides as long as the Louisiana licensed**
- 5 **pharmacist in the state permitted pharmacy is in compliance with 21 U.S.C.**
- 6 **353a and applicable United States Pharmacopeia - National Formulary**
- 7 **chapters.**

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DIGEST

SB 253 Reengrossed

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Proposed law provides that no professional or occupational licensing board shall prohibit a healthcare provider with prescriptive authority from providing patients with peptides shipped from either of the following:

- (1) A FDA-registered 503B outsourcing facility that is in compliance with 21 U.S.C. 353b.
- (2) A 503A compounding pharmacy that is in compliance with 21 U.S.C. 353a and applicable United States Pharmacopeia - National Formulary chapters.

Proposed law requires the prescribing provider to ensure peptides are prescribed pursuant to proposed law.

Proposed law provides that no professional or occupational licensing board shall prohibit a La. licensed pharmacist in a state permitted pharmacy from compounding and dispensing peptides as long as the pharmacist and pharmacy are in compliance with 21 U.S.C. 353a and applicable United States Pharmacopeia - National Formulary chapters.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 37:23.5)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Extends provisions of proposed law to compounding pharmacies.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Changes references to the federal requirements that apply to prescribing providers, pharmacists, and compounding pharmacies.