

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 151

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

PHARMACISTS: Revises the definition of "approved college of pharmacy" as used in the La. Pharmacy Practice Act

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1164(2)(b), relative to the La. Pharmacy Practice Act; to
3 provide with respect to colleges of pharmacy; to define "approved college of
4 pharmacy"; to specify the means by which the college of pharmacy may be approved
5 by the board; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:1164(2)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1164. Definitions

9 As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the meaning ascribed to
10 them by this Section:

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12 (2) "Approved college of pharmacy" means an educational institution
13 approved by the board which meets one of the following additional criteria:

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15 (b) A foreign college or school of pharmacy ~~which is listed in the World~~
16 ~~Health Organization's "World Directory of Schools of Pharmacy"~~ and whose
17 graduate has attained educational equivalency status through a mechanism
18 established by the board.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Revises the definition of what constitutes an approved college of pharmacy.

Present law defines an "approved college of pharmacy" as an educational institution which is approved by the board and is either accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or is a foreign school of pharmacy listed in the "World Directory of Schools of Pharmacy" whose graduate has attained educational equivalency status through a mechanism established by the board.

Proposed law removes the requirement that a foreign school be listed in the "World Directory of Schools of Pharmacy" and otherwise retains present law by requiring that the board establish a mechanism of professional equivalency by which a graduate of a foreign pharmacy school may be approved.

(Amends R.S. 37:1164(2)(b))