

ACT No. 203

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 224

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1060.13 and 1060.15(B), relative to criminal offenses involving legend drugs; to reduce criminal penalties for certain offenses involving legend drugs; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1060.13 and 1060.15(B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1060.13. Sale, distribution, or possession of legend drug without prescription or order prohibited; exceptions; penalties

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, deliver, or possess any legend drug except upon the order or prescription of a physician or licensed health care practitioner as defined in R.S. 40:961(31). This Section shall not apply to sale, delivery, or possession by drug wholesalers or drug manufacturers, or their agents or employees, or to any practitioner acting within the scope of his license, or to a common or contract carrier or warehouseman, or any employee thereof, whose possession of any legend drug is in the usual course of business or employment.

~~C.B.~~ Any person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be ~~imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than five years and may be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than five thousand dollars~~ fined not more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

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§1060.15. Obtaining legend drugs by misrepresentation or fraud; penalties

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1 B. Any person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be
2 ~~imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than five years and may be~~
3 ~~sentenced to pay a fine of not more than five thousand dollars~~ fined not more than
4 five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____