

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 488

BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

PHARMACISTS. Provides relative to restrictions on the quantity of controlled substances dispensed, (8/1/20)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:1233, relative to pharmacies; to prohibit corporations that own and operate
3 multiple pharmacies from implementing policies and procedures that restrict the
4 quantity of controlled substances dispensed or restrict the prescriber; to provide for
5 an exception; to prohibit retaliation; to provide for a civil penalty; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 37:1223 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 § 1233. Prohibited acts

10 A. A corporation which owns and operates multiple pharmacy locations,
11 including all chain pharmacies operating as individual organizations, in this
12 state shall be prohibited from establishing or implementing any policy or
13 practice in a pharmacy located in this state that places a restriction on the
14 quantity or dosage of a prescription for a controlled substance or places a
15 restriction on filling a prescription for a controlled substance issued by a
16 specific prescriber; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall
17 prohibit an individual pharmacist from declining to fill a prescription based on

