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A BILL

То	amend sections 3728.03, 4729.16, 4729.23,	1
	4729.28, 4729.41, 4729.43, 4729.45, 4729.553,	2
	4729.99, and 4731.96 and to enact sections	3
	3707.60, 4729.382, 4729.47, and 4731.961 of the	4
	Revised Code to establish provisions to be known	5
	as the "Epinephrine Accessibility Act" and to	6
	make other changes to the laws governing the	7
	State Board of Pharmacy.	8

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3728.03, 4729.16, 4729.23,	9
4729.28, 4729.41, 4729.43, 4729.45, 4729.553, 4729.99, and	10
4731.96 be amended and sections 3707.60, 4729.382, 4729.47, and	11
4731.961 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	12

turpitude, as defined in section 4776.10 of the Revised Code;

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Code;	99
(k) Failed to comply with an order of the board or a	100
settlement agreement;	101
(1) Engaged in any other conduct for which the board may	102
impose discipline as set forth in rules adopted under section	103
4729.26 of the Revised Code.	104
(B) Any individual whose license is revoked, suspended, or	105
refused, shall return the license to the offices of the state	106
board of pharmacy within ten days after receipt of notice of	107
such action.	108
(C) As used in this section:	109
"Unprofessional conduct in the practice of pharmacy"	110
includes any of the following:	111
(1) Advertising or displaying signs that promote dangerous	112
drugs to the public in a manner that is false or misleading;	113
(2) Except as provided in section 4729.281 or 4729.44	114
or 4729.47 of the Revised Code, the dispensing or sale of any	115
drug for which a prescription is required, without having	116
received a prescription for the drug;	117
(3) Knowingly dispensing medication pursuant to false or	118
forged prescriptions;	119
(4) Knowingly failing to maintain complete and accurate	120
records of all dangerous drugs received or dispensed in	121
compliance with federal laws and regulations and state laws and	122
rules;	123
(5) Obtaining any remuneration by fraud,	124
misrepresentation, or deception;	125

(6) Failing to conform to prevailing standards of care of	126
similar pharmacists or pharmacy interns under the same or	127
similar circumstances, whether or not actual injury to a patient	128
is established;	129

- (7) Engaging in any other conduct that the board specifies as unprofessional conduct in the practice of pharmacy in rules adopted under section 4729.26 of the Revised Code.
- (D) The board may suspend a license under division (B) of section 3719.121 of the Revised Code by utilizing a telephone conference call to review the allegations and take a vote.
- (E) For purposes of this division, an individual authorized to practice as a pharmacist or pharmacy intern accepts the privilege of practicing in this state subject to supervision by the board. By filing an application for or holding a license to practice as a pharmacist or pharmacy intern, an individual gives consent to submit to a mental or physical examination when ordered to do so by the board in writing and waives all objections to the admissibility of testimony or examination reports that constitute privileged communications.

If the board has reasonable cause to believe that an individual who is a pharmacist or pharmacy intern is physically or mentally impaired, the board may require the individual to submit to a physical or mental examination, or both. The expense of the examination is the responsibility of the individual required to be examined.

Failure of an individual who is a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to submit to a physical or mental examination ordered by the board, unless the failure is due to circumstances beyond the

individual's control, constitutes an admission of the
allegations and a suspension order shall be entered without the
taking of testimony or presentation of evidence. Any subsequent
adjudication hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code
concerning failure to submit to an examination is limited to
consideration of whether the failure was beyond the individual's
control.

If, based on the results of an examination ordered under this division, the board determines that the individual's ability to practice is impaired, the board shall suspend the individual's license or deny the individual's application and shall require the individual, as a condition for an initial, continued, reinstated, or renewed license to practice, to submit to a physical or mental examination and treatment.

An order of suspension issued under this division shall not be subject to suspension by a court during pendency of any appeal filed under section 119.12 of the Revised Code.

- (F) If the board is required under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to give notice of an opportunity for a hearing and the applicant or licensee does not make a timely request for a hearing in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code, the board is not required to hold a hearing, but may adopt a final order that contains the board's findings. In the final order, the board may impose any of the sanctions listed in division (A) of this section.
- (G) Notwithstanding the provision of division (C)(2) of 180 section 2953.32 of the Revised Code specifying that if records 181 pertaining to a criminal case are sealed under that section the 182 proceedings in the case must be deemed not to have occurred, 183 sealing of the following records on which the board has based an 184

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action under this section shall have no effect on the board's	185
action or any sanction imposed by the board under this section:	186
records of any conviction, guilty plea, judicial finding of	187
guilt resulting from a plea of no contest, or a judicial finding	188
of eligibility for a pretrial diversion program or intervention	189
in lieu of conviction. The board shall not be required to seal,	190
destroy, redact, or otherwise modify its records to reflect the	191
court's sealing of conviction records.	192

- (H) No pharmacist or pharmacy intern shall knowingly engage in any conduct described in divisions (A)(2)(b) or (A)(2) (e) to (l) of this section.
- Sec. 4729.23. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, information received by the state board of pharmacy pursuant to an investigation is confidential, is not a public record, and is not subject to discovery in any civil action. Any record that identifies a patient, confidential informant, or individual who files a complaint with the board or may reasonably lead to the identification of the patient, informant, or complainant is not a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code and is not subject to inspection or copying under section 1347.08 of the Revised Code.
- (B) The board shall conduct all investigations or 206 inspections and proceedings in a manner that protects the 207 confidentiality of patients, confidential informants, and 208 individuals who file complaints with the board. The board shall 209 not make public the names or any other identifying information 210 of patients, confidential informants, or complainants unless 211 proper consent is given or, in the case of a patient, a waiver 212 of the patient privilege exists under division (B) of section 213 2317.02 of the Revised Code. The consent or waiver is not 214

recovery program. Information received or maintained by the

subject to discovery in any civil action, is not a public

board with respect to the board's monitoring activities is not

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record, and is confidential, except that the board may disclose	245
information to law enforcement officers and government entities	246
for purposes of an investigation of a license or certificate	247
holder.	248
Sec. 4729.28. No (A) As used in this section, "dispense"	249
has the meaning specified by the state board of pharmacy in	250
rules adopted under section 4729.26 of the Revised Code.	251
(B) (1) Except as provided in division (B) (2) of this	252
<pre>section, no person who is not a pharmacist or a pharmacy intern</pre>	253
under the personal supervision of a pharmacist shall compound, $\overline{}$	254
dispense, or sell dangerous drugs or otherwise engage in the	255
practice of pharmacy.	256
(2) Except as provided in sections 3701.048, 4729.44, and	257
4729.47 of the Revised Code or rules adopted by the board under	258
section 4729.26 of the Revised Code, no person who is not a	259
pharmacist shall dispense dangerous drugs.	260
Sec. 4729.382. (A) As used in this section, "epinephrine	261
autoinjector" means a device used to administer epinephrine only	262
in a manufactured dosage form.	263
(B) Subject to division (C) of this section, a pharmacist	264
dispensing an epinephrine autoinjector pursuant to a	265
prescription that identifies a specific type of epinephrine	266
autoinjector may substitute the prescribed autoinjector with	267
another epinephrine autoinjector, but only if the form of	268
epinephrine contained in the autoinjector to be dispensed by	269
substitution meets either of the following conditions:	270
(1) It is identical to the form of epinephrine in the type	271
of autoinjector that was prescribed.	272
(2) It is a pharmaceutical equivalent of the form of	273

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reaction to the immunization. The length of time and location of	419
the observation shall comply with the standards specified in	420
rules adopted by the state board of pharmacy under division (E)	421
of this section for the approval of protocols. The protocol	422
shall specify procedures to be followed by a pharmacist when	423
administering epinephrine, diphenhydramine, or both, to an	424
individual who has an adverse reaction to an immunization	425
administered by the pharmacist or a pharmacy intern.	426

- (2) For each immunization administered to an individual by a pharmacist or pharmacy intern, other than an immunization for influenza administered to an individual eighteen years of age or older, the pharmacist or pharmacy intern shall notify the individual's family physician or, if the individual has no family physician, the board of health of the health district in which the individual resides or the authority having the duties of a board of health for that district under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code. The notice shall be given not later than thirty days after the immunization is administered.
- (3) For each immunization administered by a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to an individual younger than eighteen years of age pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section, the pharmacist or a pharmacy intern shall obtain permission from the individual's parent or legal guardian in accordance with the procedures specified in rules adopted under division (E) of this section.
 - (D)(1) No pharmacist shall do either of the following:
- (a) Engage in the administration of immunizations unless

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 the requirements of division (B) of this section have been met;

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 - (b) Delegate to any person the pharmacist's authority to 447

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permission to administer a drug to an individual.	643
(2) The board shall consult with the state medical board	644
before adopting rules regarding requirements for protocols under	645
this section.	646
Sec. 4729.47. (A) As used in this section:	647
(1) "Board of health" means a board of health of a city or	648
general health district or an authority having the duties of a	649
board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code.	650
(2) "Physician" means an individual authorized under	651
Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and	652
surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine	653
and surgery.	654
(B) If use of a protocol that has been developed pursuant	655
to rules adopted under division (G) of this section has been	656
authorized under section 3707.60 or 4731.961 of the Revised	657
Code, a pharmacist or pharmacy intern may dispense epinephrine	658
without a prescription in accordance with that protocol to	659
either of the following individuals so long as the individual is	660
at least eighteen years of age:	661
(1) An individual who there is reason to believe is	662
experiencing or at risk of experiencing anaphylaxis if the	663
pharmacy affiliated with the pharmacist or intern has a record	664
of previously dispensing epinephrine to the individual in	665
accordance with a prescription issued by a licensed health	666
professional authorized to prescribe drugs;	667
(2) An individual acting on behalf of a qualified entity,	668
as defined in section 3728.01 of the Revised Code.	669
(C)(1) A pharmacist or pharmacy intern who dispenses	670

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misdemeanor of the second degree.

- (C) Whoever violates section 4729.32, 4729.33, or 4729.34 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (D) Whoever violates division (A), (B), (C), (D), (F), or (G) of section 4729.51 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.
- (E)(1) Whoever violates section 4729.37, division (E)(1) 850 (b) of section 4729.51, division (J) of section 4729.54, 851 division (B) or (D) of section 4729.553, or section 4729.61 of 852 the Revised Code is quilty of a felony of the fifth degree. If 853 the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded quilty 854 to a violation of this chapter or a violation of Chapter 2925. 855 or 3719. of the Revised Code, that person is guilty of a felony 856 of the fourth degree. 857
- (2) If an offender is convicted of or pleads quilty to a 858 violation of section 4729.37, division (E) of section 4729.51, 859 division (J) of section 4729.54, or section 4729.61 of the 860 Revised Code, if the violation involves the sale, offer to sell, 861 or possession of a schedule I or II controlled substance, with 862 863 the exception of marihuana, and if the court imposing sentence upon the offender finds that the offender as a result of the 864 violation is a major drug offender, as defined in section 865 2929.01 of the Revised Code, and is guilty of a specification of 866 the type described in division (A) of section 2941.1410 of the 867 Revised Code, the court, in lieu of the prison term authorized 868 or required by division (E)(1) of this section and sections 869 2929.13 and 2929.14 of the Revised Code and in addition to any 870 other sanction imposed for the offense under sections 2929.11 to 871 2929.18 of the Revised Code, shall impose upon the offender, in 872 accordance with division (B)(3) of section 2929.14 of the 873

Revised Code, the mandatory prison term specified in that 874 division. 875 (3) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 876 3719.21 of the Revised Code, the clerk of court shall pay any 877 fine imposed for a violation of section 4729.37, division (E) of 878 section 4729.51, division (J) of section 4729.54, or section 879 4729.61 of the Revised Code pursuant to division (A) of section 880 2929.18 of the Revised Code in accordance with and subject to 881 the requirements of division (F) of section 2925.03 of the 882 Revised Code. The agency that receives the fine shall use the 883 fine as specified in division (F) of section 2925.03 of the 884 Revised Code. 885 (F) Whoever violates section 4729.531 of the Revised Code 886 or any rule adopted thereunder or section 4729.532 of the 887 888 Revised Code is quilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. (G) Whoever violates division (E)(1)(a) of section 4729.51 889 of the Revised Code is guilty of a felony of the fourth degree. 890 If the offender has previously been convicted of or pleaded 891 quilty to a violation of this chapter, or of a violation of 892 Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code, that person is 893 quilty of a felony of the third degree. 894 (H) Whoever violates division (E)(1)(c) of section 4729.51 895 of the Revised Code is quilty of a misdemeanor of the first 896 degree. If the offender has previously been convicted of or 897 pleaded quilty to a violation of this chapter, or of a violation 898 of Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code, that person is 899

(I)(1) Whoever violates division (A) of section 4729.95 of 901 the Revised Code is guilty of unauthorized pharmacy-related drug 902

quilty of a felony of the fifth degree.

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conduct. Except as otherwise provided in this section, unauthorized pharmacy-related drug conduct is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of division (A), (B), or (C) of that section, unauthorized pharmacy-related drug conduct is a misdemeanor of the first degree on a second offense and a felony of the fifth degree on a third or subsequent offense.

- (2) Whoever violates division (B) or (C) of section 910 4729.95 of the Revised Code is quilty of permitting unauthorized 911 pharmacy-related drug conduct. Except as otherwise provided in 912 this section, permitting unauthorized pharmacy-related drug 913 conduct is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender 914 previously has been convicted of or pleaded quilty to a 915 violation of division (A), (B), or (C) of that section, 916 permitting unauthorized pharmacy-related drug conduct is a 917 misdemeanor of the first degree on a second offense and a felony 918 of the fifth degree on a third or subsequent offense. 919
- (3) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 920 3719.21 of the Revised Code or any other provision of law that 921 governs the distribution of fines, the clerk of the court shall 922 pay any fine imposed pursuant to division (I)(1) or (2) of this 923 section to the state board of pharmacy if the board has adopted 924 a written internal control policy under division (F)(2) of 925 section 2925.03 of the Revised Code that addresses fine moneys 926 that it receives under Chapter 2925. of the Revised Code and if 927 the policy also addresses fine moneys paid under this division. 928 The state board of pharmacy shall use the fines so paid in 929 accordance with the written internal control policy to subsidize 930 the board's law enforcement efforts that pertain to drug 931 932 offenses.

authorized under this chapter to practice medicine and surgery,

osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and

surgery.

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pharmacy interns supervised by the pharmacist or pharmacists to

use the protocol for the purpose of dispensing epinephrine under

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section 4729.47 of the Revised Code.	991
Section 2. That existing sections 3728.03, 4729.16,	992
4729.23, 4729.28, 4729.41, 4729.43, 4729.45, 4729.553, 4729.99,	993
and 4731.96 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	994
Section 3. The provisions of this act that amend and enact	995
sections 3707.60, 3728.03, 4729.16, 4729.382, 4729.47, 4729.99,	996
4731.96, and 4731.961 of the Revised Code shall be known as the	997
"Epinephrine Accessibility Act."	998