

PRESCRIPTION EYE DROP GUIDELINES

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

House Sponsor: John R. Westwood

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Pharmacy Practice Act related to prescription eye drops.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ allows a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to dispense a refill of a prescription for a liquid legend drug administered to the eye once an amount of time has passed after which a patient should have used 50% of the dosage units of the drug according to a practitioner's instructions; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming amendments.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

58-17b-608.1, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 166

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **58-17b-608.1** is amended to read:

58-17b-608.1. Refills of legend drug prescriptions.



28 (1) If a prescription for a legend drug includes authorization for one or more refills, a
29 pharmacist or pharmacy intern may dispense one or more of the refills at the time the drug is
30 dispensed, if:

31 ~~[(1)]~~ (a) the drug is not a controlled substance;

32 ~~[(2)]~~ (b) the prescription does not include "Dispense quantity written," or some other
33 notation having similar meaning;

34 ~~[(3)]~~ (c) the total dosage units dispensed, including the units for both the prescription
35 and any refills, do not exceed a 100-day supply; and

36 ~~[(4)]~~ (d) in the professional judgment of the pharmacist or pharmacy intern, the refill[;]
37 or refills[;] should be dispensed at the time the prescription is dispensed.

38 (2) A pharmacist or pharmacy intern may dispense a refill of a prescription for a liquid
39 legend drug administered to the eye once an amount of time has passed after which a patient
40 should have used 50% of the dosage units of the drug according to a practitioner's instructions.

Legislative Review Note
as of 3-3-14 10:22 AM

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel