H.C.R. 5 PATIENT AND SAFETY-CENTERED PRESCRIPTION LABELS CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT 1

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Representative **Evan J. Vickers** proposes the following amendments:

Page 1, Line 24 through Page 2, Line 28: 1. 24 urges pharmacists to encourage patients when they receive a prescribed drug to also **25** receive verbal instructions from the pharmacist on how to safely use and store the **26** prescribed drug; 27 urges the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to survey doctors, 28 pharmacists, and patients to determine whether patients are receiving these instructions; and 2. Page 3, Lines 73 through 88: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor urge pharmacists, **74** as dispensers of prescription drugs, to encourage patients when they receive a prescribed drug **75** to also receive verbal instructions from the pharmacist on how to safely use the prescribed drug, including the potential for dangerous interactions with other medications and substances, **76** 77 where to find pertinent information on the prescription drug label, including prescription number, directions, the purpose of the medication, as indicated by the physician, warning **78 79** labels, quantity, expiration date, refills remaining, pharmacy contact information and provider, **80** how to safely store and dispose of any unused portion of the prescription, including how to protect family members and others from any unintentional or intentional misuse of the drug, **81** how to recognize any signs of dependency or addiction and the importance of reporting those **82 83** signs to the prescriber, and the legal prohibitions against sharing or selling any portion of the 84 prescription. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor urge the Division **85**

of Occupational and Professional Licensing, as division resources permit, to survey doctors,

on the safe use, storage, and disposal of prescription drugs and potential drug interactions.

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