

Legislative Analysis



HOSPITAL PHARMACIES: AUTOMATED DISPENSING DEVICES

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House Bill 5877 as introduced
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5877 would amend the Public Health Code to allow a pharmacy that is owned and operated by a hospital licensed under Article 17 of the Code to operate an automated device in another location affiliated with the hospital.

This automated device is under the control and supervision of the pharmacist in charge of the pharmacy, but the pharmacist may delegate the device's stocking, maintenance, removal of medication, and other tasks related to the operation of the device, in accordance with the requirements for delegation and supervision in Article 17. The pharmacist is not required to be physically present to supervise a delegated task.

The operation of the automated device is limited to licensed health professionals.

Automated device (as used in this bill): mechanical system that performs an operation or activity, other than compounding or administration, relating to the storage, packaging, dispensing, distribution, or delivery of a drug and that collects, controls, and maintains transaction information. An automated device is not a pharmacy.

The bill would take effect 90 days after enactment.

Proposed MCL 333.17760 and 333.17760a.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5877 would not have a significant fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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