

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-15 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to refunds of a portion of pharmacist license fees; to amend and reenact
3 sections 43-15-13.2 and 43-15-13.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership
4 in the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association and payment of fees by the Board of Pharmacy
5 to the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association; and to repeal section 43-15-30 of the North
6 Dakota Century Code, relating to membership in the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

8 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-15-13.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is
9 amended and reenacted as follows:

10 **43-15-13.2. Membership of North Dakota pharmaceutical association.** The
11 membership of the North Dakota pharmaceutical association consists of every person:

- 12 1. Who has secured a current annual license to practice pharmacy in this state in
13 accordance with this chapter and who has not requested a refund of a portion of
14 the license fee under section 3 of this Act.
- 15 2. Who has paid an annual membership fee directly to the association as determined
16 and permitted by the association and who does not hold a current license to
17 practice pharmacy in this state.

18 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-15-13.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is
19 amended and reenacted as follows:

20 **43-15-13.4. Moneys payable from board of pharmacy to North Dakota**
21 **pharmaceutical association.** The board shall submit to the association ~~shall annually receive~~
22 fifty percent of fees received by the board for annual renewal licenses as a pharmacist in this
23 state. The association may use the funds for payment of expenses of the association ~~including~~
24 relating to continuing pharmaceutical education, pharmacist discipline, the impaired pharmacist

1 program, matters related to pharmacist registration standards, and professional service
2 standards, ~~and general operating expenses~~. The amount provided in this section must be paid
3 quarterly to the association by the board. The association may not receive from the board any
4 portion of fees from out-of-state pharmacists who do not have a renewal license to practice
5 pharmacy in this state and may not receive any portion of examination fees, permit fees, or
6 other fees or funds not specified in this section.

7 **SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 43-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is
8 created and enacted as follows:

9 _____ The board shall provide each pharmacist and each applicant for
10 licensure as a pharmacist information instructing the pharmacist or applicant that the individual
11 may apply to the board for a refund of fifty percent of the fee paid by the individual to the board
12 for licensure or a renewal of licensure if the individual elects to not become a member of the
13 North Dakota pharmaceutical association. A request for a refund must be submitted within
14 thirty days after the individual pays the individual's examination or license renewal fees to the
15 board.

16 **SECTION 4. REPEAL.** Section 43-15-30 of the North Dakota Century Code is
17 repealed.