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WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 15TH, 2010 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES COMMITTEE ROUGHTRIDER ROOM - STATE CAPITOL

Chairman Klein, members of the Administrative Rules Committee, thank you for the opportunity to discuss the following rule change with you.

North Dakota Administrative Code 61-02-07.1-13 Pharmacy Technician Reinstatement

- 1. This rule did not result from statutory changes made by the Legislative Assembly.
- 2. These rules are not related to any federal statute or regulation.
- 3. This rule was adopted to formalize the process the Board of Pharmacy uses for reinstatement of a pharmacy technician that has allowed their registration to lapse for non-payment of a renewal. This is the same process we use with a pharmacist and with the technicians being more recently added to the practice of pharmacy, it was now time to formalize this process.
- 4. There were no written or oral comments related to this rule. Although the rule was discussed at several pharmacy and technician meetings and considered at two North Dakota Pharmacist and Technician meetings.
- 5. The cost of the hearings on these rules was \$1,101.10.
- 6. These make it clear that a Technician who lets their registration lapse must pay fees before reinstating their registrations. We do have the provision for a technician to pay the registration fee and take in-active status, which mean they do not have to maintain continuing education while on in-active status. The rule does state that they do need to furnish their recent continuing education in order to upgrade their registration to an active status and be able to practice. The important aspect of continuing in this manner is that a pharmacy technician