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House Bill No. 5290

House of Representatives, March 24, 2010

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. RITTER of the 38th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES BY LICENSED PHARMACISTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-633 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 (a) [On and after October 1, 2005, any] Any person licensed as a
4 pharmacist under part II of this chapter may administer [influenza] a
5 vaccine to an adult, provided the administration of such vaccine is
6 conducted pursuant to the order of a licensed health care provider and
7 in accordance with the regulations established pursuant to subsection
8 (b) of this section.

9 (b) [Not later than September 1, 2005, the] The Commissioner of
10 Consumer Protection, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public
11 Health and the Commission of Pharmacy, shall adopt regulations, in
12 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the
13 provisions of this section. Such regulations shall (1) require any

14 pharmacist who administers [influenza] a vaccine to an adult pursuant
15 to this section to successfully complete an immunization training
16 program for pharmacists; (2) define the basic requirements of such
17 training program, which shall include training and instruction in pre-
18 administration education and screening, vaccine storage and handling,
19 subcutaneous and intramuscular injections, recordkeeping, vaccine
20 safety, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, basic cardiac life support and
21 adverse event reporting; (3) identify qualifying training programs,
22 which are accredited by the National Centers for Disease Control
23 Prevention, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or other
24 appropriate national accrediting body; and (4) establish a system of
25 control and reporting.

26 (c) For purposes of this section, "adult" means an individual who
27 has attained the age of eighteen years.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>October 1, 2010</i> | 20-633 |

PH *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

There is no cost to the Department of Consumer Protection associated with adopting regulations concerning the administering of vaccines by licensed pharmacists.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5290*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES BY
LICENSED PHARMACISTS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill expands the authority of licensed pharmacists to administer vaccines to adults. Under current law, pharmacists may administer flu vaccine to adults. The bill allows them to administer any vaccine to an adult.

As under existing law, pharmacists must administer the vaccine according to a licensed health care provider's order and Department of Consumer Protection regulations. By law, these regulations must require that pharmacists administering flu vaccine complete an immunization training course. The bill expands this training requirement to pharmacists administering any vaccine.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/10/2010)