



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Topic	Previous Version (As Introduced)	Sub. Version (LSC 131 0858-2)
Dispensing multiple refills of a prescription	Subject to several conditions, authorizes a pharmacist to fill one or more refills of a prescription at the time a prescription is originally filled or to fill multiple refills of a prescription at one time (<i>R.C. 4729.40(A)</i>).	Same, but expresses the authorization as the authority to dispense a quantity or amount of a drug that varies from the quantity or amount that otherwise would be dispensed pursuant to the prescription (<i>R.C. 4729.40(A)</i>).
Quantity that may be dispensed	Provides that the amount of the drug that is dispensed at <u>one time</u> cannot exceed a 90-day supply (<i>R.C. 4729.40(B)(3)</i>).	Replaces the previous provision with the following clarifications: (1) That the bill applies when the <u>total</u> quantity or amount that may be dispensed by filling and refilling the prescription does not exceed a 90-day supply; and (2) That the action taken by the pharmacist cannot result in dispensing more than the total quantity or amount permitted under the prescription (<i>R.C. 4729.40(A)(1)</i>).

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Maintenance drug and stabilization requirements	No provision.	Requires that (1) the prescription be for a maintenance drug to be taken on a regular, recurring basis to treat a chronic condition, (2) the patient has used an initial 30-day supply, or has been previously prescribed a 90-day supply, and (3) the pharmacist determines, after consulting with the patient, that the drug has stabilized the patient's condition (<i>R.C. 4729.40(A)(3)</i>).
Professional judgment of the pharmacist	Requires that, in the exercise of the pharmacist's professional judgment, dispensing one or more refills would be appropriate for the patient (<i>R.C. 4729.40(B)(4)</i>).	Same, but requires the pharmacist to consult with the patient before making the decision (<i>R.C. 4729.40(A)(6)</i>).
Health benefit plans	No provision.	Specifies that the bill does not require a health care insurer, government health care program, pharmacy benefit manager, or other entity that offers health benefit plans to provide coverage for a drug in a manner that is inconsistent with the patient's benefit plan (<i>R.C. 4729.40(B)</i>).

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