

2015 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 39

BY SENATOR MILLS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

HEALTH CARE. Provides for the Louisiana Board of Drug and Device Distributors. (gov sig)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3461, 3462, 3463(A), 3464, 3467, 3469, 3470, 3471(A), 3472, 3473, 3474.1(A)(1), (2), and (5) and (B), 3474.2(A)(1) and (2), 3474.3(A), 3474.4, 3475, 3477(A), (D), and (E), 3478(A) and (B), 3480, 3481, and 3482 and to repeal R.S. 37:3474, relative to the Louisiana Board of Drug and Device Distributors; to provide definitions; to change the name of the board; to provide for the qualifications of board members; to provide duties and powers of the board; to provide for licensure requirements; to provide for inspections by the board; to provide for reinspection of distribution and sales facilities; to provide authority for the board to waive inspection; to provide authority for the board to discipline; to provide the board authority to take enforcement actions against non-licensees; to provide for injunction proceedings; to provide for a board order to quarantine a legend drug or legend device; to provide for annual renewal of a license; to provide for authorization for the board to obtain criminal history record information; to provide for unlawful participation; to provide for unauthorized sales; to provide for mandatory reporting; to provide for applicability of the practice act; to repeal provisions related to manufacturer distribution of legend drugs and legend devices;

1 to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

2 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

3 Section 1. R.S. 37:3461, 3462, 3463(A), 3464, 3467, 3469, 3470, 3471(A), 3472,
4 3473, 3474.1(A)(1), (2), and (5) and (B), 3474.2(A)(1) and (2), 3474.3(A), 3474.4, 3475,
5 3477(A), (D), and (E), 3478(A) and (B), 3480, 3481, and 3482 are hereby amended and
6 reenacted to read as follows:

7 CHAPTER 54. ~~WHOLESALE DRUG~~ AND DEVICE DISTRIBUTORS

8 §3461. General provisions and short title

9 A. This Chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Louisiana
10 ~~Wholesale Drug~~ and Device Distributors Act".

11 B. In order to safeguard life and health and to promote the public welfare,
12 any person engaged in the ~~wholesale~~ distribution ~~or sale~~ of legend drugs or legend
13 devices as defined in this Chapter shall be required to submit evidence of
14 qualification to be engaged in the ~~wholesale~~ legend drug or legend device
15 distribution business and shall be licensed as hereinafter provided.

16 §3462. Definitions

17 As used in this Chapter:

18 (1) "Applicant" means a person who applies for licensure as a ~~wholesale~~
19 legend drug or legend device distributor.

20 (2) "Board" means the Louisiana Board of ~~Wholesale Drug~~ and Device
21 Distributors.

22 (3) "Bureau" means the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and
23 Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and
24 Corrections.

25 (4) "Criminal history record information" means information collected by
26 state and federal criminal justice agencies on persons consisting of identifiable
27 descriptions and notations of arrests, detentions, indictments, bills of information,
28 or any formal criminal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom, including
29 sentencing, criminal correctional supervision, and release, but does not include

1 intelligence for investigatory purposes, nor does it include any identification
2 information which does not indicate involvement of the person in the criminal justice
3 system.

4 (5) "Designated responsible party" means a natural person designated
5 by the applicant or licensee as responsible for facility operations of the applicant
6 or licensee facility.

7 (6) "Distribution" means the sale or facilitation of delivery of legend
8 drugs or legend devices to other than the consumer or patient, including but not
9 limited to distribution by manufacturers, repackagers, own label distributors,
10 jobbers, third-party logistics providers, retail pharmacy warehouses,
11 pharmacies, brokers, agents, and wholesale distributors.

12 (7) "Distributor" means any person engaged in distribution, including
13 but not limited to manufacturers, repackagers, own label distributors, jobbers,
14 third-party logistics providers, retail pharmacy warehouses, pharmacies,
15 brokers, agents, and wholesale distributors.

16 (8) "FBI" means the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States
17 Department of Justice.

18 (6) (9) "Legend device" means any device intended for use by humans that
19 carries on its label "Rx", "Rx only", a designation for physician use only, or a
20 statement that federal law restricts the device to sale by or on the order of a licensed
21 health care practitioner.

22 (7) (10) "Legend drug" means any drug intended for use by humans that
23 carries on its label any of the following: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing
24 without a prescription", "Rx", or "Rx Only".

25 (8) ~~"Legend drug pedigree" means a written document or electronic file~~
26 ~~recording each wholesale distribution of a legend drug.~~

27 (9) (11) "Licensure" means any license, permit, or registration that the
28 board is authorized by law to issue.

29 (10) (12) "Manufacturer" means any of the following:

1 (a) A person who manufactures legend drugs **or legend devices** and includes
2 a labeler or ~~primary~~ distributor.

3 (b) A person who prepares legend drugs in dosage form by mixing,
4 compounding, encapsulating, entableting, or by other processes.

5 (c) A person who manufactures, assembles, processes, or modifies legend
6 devices.

7 **(d) An affiliate of a person described in Subparagraph (a), (b), or (c) of**
8 **this Paragraph that receives the legend drugs or legend devices directly from**
9 **a person described in this Subparagraph or Subparagraph (a), (b), or (c) of this**
10 **Paragraph.**

11 **(e) A co-licensed partner of the person described in Subparagraph (a),**
12 **(b), or (c) of this Paragraph that obtains the legend drugs or legend devices**
13 **directly from a person described in this Subparagraph or Subparagraph (a),**
14 **(b), (c), or (d) of this Paragraph.**

15 ~~(11)~~ **(13)** "Owner" means a natural person who owns greater than a ten
16 percent interest in the ~~wholesale~~ drug distributor.

17 ~~(12)~~ **(14)** "Person" means a natural or juridical person, including a
18 proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust, business
19 firm, association, franchise arrangement, combination of any of these entities, or any
20 other legal entity.

21 ~~(13)~~ "Responsible party" means ~~a natural person designated by the applicant~~
22 ~~or licensee as responsible for facility operations of the applicant or licensee.~~

23 **(15) "Repackager" means a person who owns or operates an**
24 **establishment that repacks and relabels a legend drug, legend device, or**
25 **package thereof for one of the following:**

26 **(a) Further sale.**

27 **(b) Distribution without a further transaction.**

28 ~~(14)~~ **(16)** "Third-party logistics provider" means a person that ~~contracts with~~
29 ~~a manufacturer to provide~~ **provides** or coordinate **coordinates** warehousing,

1 ~~distribution~~ **facilitation of delivery**, or other **logistic** services **for a legend drug or**
2 **legend device in interstate and intrastate commerce** on behalf of ~~the a~~
3 manufacturer, **distributor, or dispenser of a legend drug or legend device** but does
4 not take ~~title to~~ **ownership of** the legend drug or legend device ~~or nor~~ have
5 responsibility to direct the sale or disposition of the legend drug or legend device.

6 **(17) "Transaction" means the transfer of a legend drug between persons**
7 **in which a change of ownership occurs.**

8 **(18) "Transaction history" means a statement, in paper or electronic**
9 **form, including the transaction information for each prior transaction going**
10 **back to the manufacturer of the legend drug.**

11 **(19) "Transaction information" means:**

12 **(a) The proprietary or established name or names of the legend drug.**

13 **(b) The strength and dosage form of the legend drug.**

14 **(c) The National Drug Code number of the legend drug.**

15 **(d) The container size.**

16 **(e) The number of containers.**

17 **(f) The lot number of the legend drug.**

18 **(g) The date of the transaction.**

19 **(h) The date of the shipment, if more than twenty-four hours after the**
20 **date of the transaction.**

21 **(i) The business name and address of the person from whom ownership**
22 **is being transferred.**

23 **(j) The business name and address of the person to whom ownership is**
24 **being transferred.**

25 **(20) "Transaction statement" means a statement, in paper or electronic**
26 **form, that the entity transferring ownership in a transaction:**

27 **(a) Is authorized as required under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act**
28 **and as required by the board.**

29 **(b) Received the legend drug or legend device from a person that is**

1 authorized as required under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act and as
 2 required by the board.

3 (c) Received transaction information and a transaction statement from
 4 the prior owner of the legend drug.

5 (d) Did not knowingly ship a suspect or illegitimate legend drug.

6 (e) Had systems and processes in place to comply with verification
 7 requirements under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act and as required by the
 8 board.

9 (f) Did not knowingly provide false transaction information.

10 (g) Did not knowingly provide false transaction history.

11 ~~(15)~~ **(21)** "Wholesale drug distribution" means the ~~distribution or sale~~ **or**
 12 **facilitation of delivery** of legend drugs or legend devices to other than the consumer
 13 or patient, ~~including but does not limited to~~ **include sale or** distribution **of legend**
 14 **drugs or legend devices** by manufacturers, **manufacturers' co-licensed partners,**
 15 repackagers, ~~own label distributors, jobbers,~~ **or** third-party logistics providers, ~~retail~~
 16 ~~pharmacy warehouses, pharmacies, brokers, agents, and wholesale drug distributors.~~

17 ~~(16)~~ **(22)** "Wholesale drug distributor" means any person ~~who sells or~~
 18 ~~distributes legend drugs or legend devices to other than the consumer or patient~~
 19 **engaged in wholesale distribution,** including but ~~does not limited to~~ **include**
 20 manufacturers, **manufacturers' co-licensed partners,** repackagers, ~~own label~~
 21 ~~distributors, jobbers,~~ **or** third-party logistics providers, ~~retail pharmacy warehouses,~~
 22 ~~brokers, agents, and pharmacies.~~

23 §3463. Board; appointments; terms; removal; compensation; officers

24 A. The Louisiana Board of ~~Wholesale Drug~~ **and Device** Distributors is
 25 hereby created within the Department of Health and Hospitals and is subject to the
 26 provisions of R.S. 36:803. The board shall administer the provisions of this Chapter.
 27 It shall be composed of seven members, five of whom shall be licensed ~~wholesale~~
 28 drug distributors and two of whom shall be actively engaged in the pharmaceutical
 29 manufacturing industry.

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§3464. Qualifications of board members

Each member of the board shall be at least twenty-one years of age, of good moral character and temperate habits, and a resident of this state and shall have engaged in ~~the pharmaceutical manufacturing business or the wholesale drug distribution business~~ for at least three years **as defined by this Chapter.**

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§3467. Duties and powers of the board

A. The board ~~shall~~ **may**:

(1) Approve, deny, revoke, ~~or suspend,~~ **limit, or restrict** licenses of qualified applicants for licensure as ~~wholesale drug~~ distributors and renew licenses.

(2) **Impose fines, assess costs, or otherwise discipline a licensee.**

(3) ~~Regulate the distribution of legend drugs or legend devices by wholesale drug distributors.~~

(4) ~~(3)~~ **(4)** Monitor compliance with all federal and state laws and regulations regarding the distribution of ~~wholesale~~ legend drugs or legend devices by ~~wholesale drug~~ distributors and promulgate rules and regulations relative thereto.

(4) ~~(5)~~ **(5)** Conduct inspections of wholesale ~~drug~~ **distribution** facilities.

(5) ~~(6)~~ **(6)** Conduct hearings on charges relative to the violation of any provision of this Chapter.

(6) ~~Exercise all other powers necessary and proper to perform its duties within the scope of this Chapter.~~

B. The board ~~may~~:

(7) ~~(7)~~ **(7)** Issue subpoenas and administer oaths to persons giving testimony at hearings.

(8) ~~(8)~~ **(8)** Employ and fix compensation of persons necessary to carry on the work of the board.

(9) ~~(9)~~ **(9)** Appoint an attorney to represent the board in all matters pertaining to the administration of this Chapter, define his duties, and fix his compensation.

1 ~~(4)~~ **(10)** Adopt all rules and regulations necessary to implement the
2 provisions of this Chapter.

3 ~~(5)~~ **(11)** Require licensees to provide a legend drug pedigree transaction
4 history, transaction information, and a transaction statement.

5 **(12) Designate and assign license types and sub-types for distributors,**
6 **which include wholesale distributors, manufacturers, repackagers, and**
7 **third-party logistic providers, which it will approve, deny, revoke, suspend,**
8 **limit, or restrict, and renew pursuant to Paragraph (A)(1) of this Section.**

9 **(13) Exercise all other powers necessary and proper to perform its duties**
10 **within the scope of this Chapter.**

11 ~~C.~~ **B.** The board shall make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law,
12 and shall take such other action as may be necessary to comply with the requirements
13 set forth in the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act **and Federal Drug Supply**
14 **Chain Security Act**, as it ~~pertains~~ **the acts pertain** to ~~wholesale drug~~ distribution
15 **as defined by this Chapter**, and with the rules and regulations promulgated
16 pursuant thereto, and other pertinent federal authority.

17 **C. The board shall require all distributors and wholesale distributors to**
18 **furnish a bond or other equivalent means of security.**

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20 §3469. Qualifications and requirements for licensure

21 A. Every applicant for licensure as a ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor shall ~~submit~~
22 ~~to the board the names of the designated responsible party and any owners who shall~~
23 ~~be at least twenty-one years of age and of good moral character and temperate habits.~~
24 ~~Conviction of a felony violation of federal or state law by the applicant, responsible~~
25 ~~party, or owner may be grounds for denial of a license~~ **meet all qualifications and**
26 **requirements designated by the board in accordance with this Chapter.**

27 B. The application for licensure shall be made on a form provided by the
28 board. Each application shall be accompanied with the reasonable licensure fee
29 prescribed by the board. Each application form shall contain language that

1 authorizes the board to obtain a criminal history record on the applicant, **designated**
2 responsible party, and any owners to determine if the applicant, **designated**
3 responsible party, or owners have ever been convicted of a felony violation of federal
4 or state law.

5 §3470. Inspections

6 The board, or a representative of the board, may conduct inspections of
7 **distribution and sales** facilities during normal business hours upon receipt of an
8 application for licensure. The board may conduct inspections during normal
9 business hours of facilities that appear to be used by a ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor.
10 The board may also conduct unannounced inspections of current licensees at
11 sufficient intervals to determine compliance with state and federal requirements or
12 when it considers it necessary. Upon inspection, a written report shall be submitted
13 to the board by the inspector. Applicants for licensure and licensees shall be notified
14 in writing by certified mail if any discrepancies are found, and a deadline shall be set
15 in which such discrepancies must be corrected.

16 §3471. License; registering; evidence

17 A. Each applicant who meets the provisions of R.S. 37:3469 and successfully
18 passes the inspection provided in R.S. 37:3470 shall receive a license from the board
19 authorizing him to act as a ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor in this state. The license or a
20 renewal thereof shall be the only evidence of the right of a person to act as a
21 ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor.

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23 §3472. Reinspection

24 Reinspections of **distribution and sales** facilities may be conducted as
25 follow-ups to the regular inspections or to guarantee that the applicant or licensee has
26 corrected any discrepancy found by the board. Failure to comply with state and
27 federal laws or the board's regulations shall be prima facie evidence of a violation
28 of this Chapter and shall subject the applicant or licensee either to disciplinary action
29 by the board or forfeiture of the license.

1 §3473. Applicants from other states; waiver of inspection

2 The board may waive the inspection provided in R.S. 37:3470, if the
3 applicant presents to the board a satisfactory certificate of registration or license
4 from an entity which licenses ~~wholesale drug~~ distributors **of the same type** in
5 another state, and if the standards adopted and enforced by such entity are
6 comparable to those provided in this Chapter.

7 §3474.1. ~~Denial, revocation, or suspension of license~~ **Discipline for licensees**

8 A. Any person licensed as a ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor under this Chapter
9 may have his license revoked, ~~or suspended,~~ **limited, or restricted** for a fixed period
10 to be determined by the board for any of the following causes:

11 (1) Conviction of a felony of the licensee, responsible party, or owner. The
12 record of such conviction, or certified copy thereof from the clerk of court where
13 such conviction occurred or by the judge of such court, shall be sufficient evidence
14 to warrant revocation, ~~or suspension,~~ **limitation, or restriction.**

15 (2) Suspension, revocation, or other disciplinary action taken by any state or
16 federal agency of a license to distribute ~~wholesale~~ legend drugs or legend devices.
17 A certified copy of the record of suspension or revocation by the state where such
18 suspension or revocation occurred shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

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20 (5) Refusing to permit entry to the licensed **distribution or sales** facility to
21 comply with any inspection during normal business hours.

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23 B. Proceedings for any disciplinary actions or for the denial, revocation, ~~or~~
24 suspension, **limitation, or restriction** of a license shall be conducted in accordance
25 with rules and regulations adopted by the board pursuant to the Administrative
26 Procedure Act.

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28 §3474.2. Enforcement action against other persons; penalties

29 A. The board shall have the authority to take enforcement action against any

1 non-licensee found by the board to be guilty of any of the following acts or offenses:

2 (1) Participating or engaging in ~~wholesale drug~~ distribution **as defined by**
3 **this Chapter.**

4 (2) Using the term "**distributor**" or "~~wholesale drug~~ distributor" **as defined**
5 **by this Chapter** or otherwise assuming or using such term or advertising in any
6 manner intended to convey the impression that he is a licensed **distributor or**
7 ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor.

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9 §3474.3. Injunction proceedings; penalties

10 A. The board may seek in any court of competent jurisdiction a writ of
11 injunction enjoining any person from participating in ~~wholesale drug~~ distribution **as**
12 **defined by this Chapter** until such person obtains the necessary license under the
13 provisions of this Chapter. This injunction shall not be subject to being released
14 upon bond.

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16 §3474.4. Order to quarantine a legend drug or legend device

17 A. If the board finds a reasonable probability that a ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor
18 possesses an adulterated, misbranded, counterfeited, or recalled legend drug or
19 legend device, the board may issue an order to quarantine the legend drug or legend
20 device.

21 B. Any order issued pursuant to this Section shall subject the ~~wholesale drug~~
22 distributor to the order with an opportunity for hearing to be held no later than thirty
23 days after issuance of the order on the actions required by the order. If, after the
24 hearing, the board determines that inadequate grounds exist to support the order, the
25 board shall vacate the order.

26 §3475. Annual renewal of license

27 All licensed ~~wholesale drug~~ distributors shall pay to the board a renewal fee
28 as shall be determined by the board.

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1 §3477. Authorization to obtain criminal history record information

2 A. The board may require that the applicant, designated responsible party,
3 and any owners provide written consent to the board to request and obtain state and
4 national criminal history record information as a condition for consideration of the
5 licensure application.

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7 D. Pursuant to this Section, or any other law or board rules or regulations
8 promulgated and adopted by the board, the board may request and obtain state and
9 national criminal history record information from the bureau and the FBI relative to
10 any applicant, designated responsible party, or owner whose fingerprints the board
11 has obtained for the purpose of determining an applicant's suitability and eligibility
12 for licensure.

13 E. Upon request by the board and upon the board's submission of fingerprints
14 and other identifying information as may be required, the bureau shall conduct a
15 search of its criminal history record information relative to the applicant, designated
16 responsible party, or owner and report the results of its search to the board within
17 sixty days from receipt of any such request. The bureau may charge the board a
18 processing fee pursuant to R.S. 15:587 for conducting and reporting on any such
19 search.

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21 §3478. Unlawful participation; penalty

22 A. No person shall participate or engage in the ~~wholesale drug~~ distribution
23 business **as defined by this Chapter** without a license issued therefor and
24 compliance with other requirements as provided for in this Chapter.

25 B. No person shall use in connection with his name the term "distributor"
26 or "~~wholesale drug~~ distributor", or otherwise assume or use such term or advertise
27 in any manner intending to convey the impression that he is a distributor or
28 ~~wholesale drug~~ distributor **as defined by this Chapter**, unless such person has been
29 duly licensed under the provisions of this Chapter.

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§3480. Unauthorized sales

~~Wholesale drug distributors~~ **Distributors** shall sell or distribute legend drugs or legend devices only to a person who is authorized, by law or regulation, to procure or possess legend drugs or legend devices.

§3481. Mandatory reporting

~~Wholesale drug distributors~~ **Distributors** shall provide copies of the United States Enforcement Accounting Records Controlled Order Substance Reports (ARCOS) ~~of the preceding month~~ to the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy ~~by the fifteenth day of each month~~, and copies of their controlled substance sales register for a specific controlled substance registrant in Louisiana and excessive controlled substance purchase reports for all controlled substance registrants in Louisiana required by 21 CFR 1301.74(b) as requested by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, these reports shall be confidential and shall be destroyed when they have served their purpose.

§3482. Applicability; conflicts

Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to authorize the Louisiana Board of ~~Wholesale Drug~~ **and Device** Distributors to regulate the practice of pharmacy as provided in Chapter 14 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. If any provision of this Chapter conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 14 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the provisions of Chapter 14 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 shall prevail.

Section 2. R.S. 37:3474 is hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

DIGEST

SB 39 Engrossed

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Proposed law changes the name of the Louisiana Board of Wholesale Drug Distributors to the Louisiana Board of Drug and Device Distributors.

Proposed law changes the name of the Louisiana Wholesale Drug Distributors Act to the Louisiana Drug and Device Distributors Act.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distribution business" to "legend drug or legend device distribution business".

Proposed law redefines "applicant" to mean a person who applies for licensure as a legend drug or legend device distributor.

Proposed law defines "designated responsible party" to mean a natural person designated by the applicant or licensee as responsible for facility operations of the applicant or licensee facility.

Proposed law defines "distribution" to mean the sale or facilitation of delivery of legend drugs or legend devices to other than the consumer or patient, including but not limited to distribution by manufacturers, repackagers, own label distributors, jobbers, third-party logistics providers, retail pharmacy warehouses, pharmacies, brokers, agents, and wholesale distributors.

Proposed law defines "distributor" to mean any person engaged in distribution, including but not limited to manufacturers, repackagers, own label distributors, jobbers, third-party logistics providers, retail pharmacy warehouses, pharmacies, brokers, agents, and wholesale distributors.

Proposed law repeals the definition of "legend drug pedigree".

Proposed law amends the definition of "licensure" to include permit or registration.

Proposed law amends the definition of "manufacturer" to mean any of the following:

- (1) A person who manufactures legend drugs or legend devices and includes a labeler or primary distributor.
- (2) A person who prepares legend drugs in dosage form by mixing, compounding, encapsulating, entableting, or by other processes.
- (3) A person who manufactures, assembles, processes, or modifies legend devices.
- (4) An affiliate of a person described in proposed law that receives the legend drugs or legend devices directly from a person described in proposed law.
- (5) A co-licensed partner of the person described in proposed law that obtains the legend drugs or legend devices directly from a person described in proposed law.

Proposed law repeals the definition of "responsible party".

Proposed law defines "repackager" to mean a person who owns or operates an establishment that repacks and relabels a legend drug, legend device, or package thereof for one of the

following:

- (1) Further sale.
- (2) Distribution without a further transaction.

Proposed law amends the definition of "third-party logistics provider" to mean a person that provides or coordinates warehousing, facilitation of delivery, or other logistic services for a legend drug or legend device in interstate and intrastate commerce on behalf of a manufacturer, distributor, or dispenser of a legend drug or legend device but does not take ownership of the legend drug or legend device nor have responsibility to direct the sale or disposition of the legend drug or legend device.

Proposed law defines "transaction" to mean the transfer of a legend drug between persons in which a change of ownership occurs.

Proposed law defines "transaction history" to mean a statement, in paper or electronic form, including the transaction information for each prior transaction going back to the manufacturer of the legend drug.

Proposed law defines "transaction information" to mean:

- (1) The proprietary or established name or names of the legend drug.
- (2) The strength and dosage form of the legend drug.
- (3) The National Drug Code number of the legend drug.
- (4) The container size.
- (5) The number of containers.
- (6) The lot number of the legend drug.
- (7) The date of the transaction.
- (8) The date of the shipment, if more than twenty-four hours after the date of the transaction.
- (9) The business name and address of the person from whom ownership is being transferred.
- (10) The business name and address of the person to whom ownership is being transferred.

Proposed law defines "transaction statement" to mean a statement, in paper or electronic form, that the entity transferring ownership in a transaction:

- (1) Is authorized as required under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act and as required by the board.
- (2) Received the legend drug or legend device from a person that is authorized as required under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act and as required by the board.
- (3) Received transaction information and a transaction statement from the prior owner of the legend drug.
- (4) Did not knowingly ship a suspect or illegitimate legend drug.

- (5) Had systems and processes in place to comply with verification requirements under the Drug Supply Chain Security Act and as required by the board.
- (6) Did not knowingly provide false transaction information.
- (7) Did not knowingly provide false transaction history.

Proposed law defines "wholesale distribution" to mean the sale or facilitation of delivery of legend drugs or legend devices to other than the consumer or patient, but does not include sale or distribution of legend drugs or legend devices by manufacturers, manufacturers' co-licensed partners, repackagers, or third-party logistics providers.

Proposed law defines "wholesale distributor" to mean any person engaged in wholesale distribution, but does not include manufacturers, manufacturers' co-licensed partners, or third-party logistics providers.

Proposed law amends the qualifications of board members to require each one to be at least 21 years of age, of good moral character and temperate habits, and a resident of Louisiana and shall have engaged in distribution as defined by law.

Proposed law amends the duties and powers of board to not only approve, deny, revoke, or suspend licenses but to also limit or restrict a license. The board is also granted the authority to impose a fine, assess cost, or otherwise discipline a licensee and to require a licensee to provide transaction history, transaction information, and a transaction statement. The board shall make rules and regulations to comply with the requirements of the Federal Drug Supply Chain Security Act pertaining to distribution as defined by law.

Proposed law requires the board to require all distributors and wholesale distributors to furnish a bond or other equivalent means of security.

Proposed law amends requirements for licensure to be all qualifications and requirements designated by the board as required by law.

Proposed law changes "responsible party" to "designated responsible party".

Proposed law makes changes for inspections from "facilities" to "distribution and sales facilities".

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distributor" to "distributor".

Proposed law changes for reinspections from "facilities" to "distribution and sales facilities".

Proposed law changes for applicants from other states from "wholesale drug distributors" to "distributors of the same type".

Proposed law includes limitation or revocation of license as a discipline option by the board against a licensee.

Proposed law provides the refusing to permit entry to the licensed distribution or sales facility to comply with any inspection during normal business hours as a cause for discipline.

Proposed law provides that any disciplinary actions or the denial, revocation, suspension, limitation, or restriction of a license shall be conducted in accordance with rules and regulations adopted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distribution" to "distribution" regarding enforcement actions against other persons.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distributor" to "distributor or wholesale distributor" regarding enforcement actions against other persons.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distribution" to "distribution" regarding injunction proceedings.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distributor" to "distributor" regarding an order to quarantine a legend drug or a legend device.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distributors" to "distributors" regarding an annual renewal of license.

Proposed law changes "responsible party" to "designated responsible party" regarding consent to the board for the board to obtain criminal history record information.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distribution" to "distribution" regarding unlawful participation and changes "wholesale drug distributor" to "distributor" regarding the same.

Proposed law changes "wholesale drug distributors" to "distributors" regarding unauthorized sales and mandatory reporting.

Proposed law changes the requirement that distributors provide copies of the United States Enforcement Accounting Records Controlled Order Substance Reports of the preceding month to the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy by the fifteenth day of each month. Proposed law requires the reporting but removes the preceding month language and the fifteenth day of each month language.

Proposed law repeals the provisions related to manufacturer distribution of legend drugs and legend devices.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 37:3461, 3462, 3463(A), 3464, 3467, 3469, 3470, 3471(A), 3472, 3473, 3474.1(A)(1), (2), and (5) and (B), 3474.2(A)(1) and (2), 3474.3(A), 3474.4, 3475, 3477(A), (D), and (E), 3478(A) and (B), 3480, 3481, and 3482; repeals R.S. 37:3474)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Defines "applicant" to mean a person who applies for licensure as a legend drug or legend device distributor.