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HOUSE BILL NO. 390

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

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

AN ACT

PHARMACISTS: Clarifies definition relative to colleges of pharmacy

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1164(2)(introductory paragraph) and (b), relative to colleges
3	of pharmacy; to provide for definitions; to clarify existing terminology; and to
4	provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 37:1164(2)(introductory paragraph) and (b) are hereby amended and
7	reenacted to read as follows:
8	§1164. Definitions
9	As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the meaning ascribed to
10	them by this Section:
11	* * *
12	(2) "Approved college of pharmacy" means an educational institution
13	approved by the board which meets one of the following additional criteria:
14	* * *
15	(b) World Health Organization's "World Directory of School of Pharmacy"
16	or other board-recognized foreign college or school of pharmacy graduate who has
17	attained equivalency status approved by the board. A foreign college or school of
18	pharmacy which is listed in the World Health Organization's "World Directory of
19	Schools of Pharmacy" and whose graduate has attained educational equivalency
20	status through a mechanism established by the board.
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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Clarifies definition relative to colleges of pharmacy.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a two-pronged definition for the term "approved college of pharmacy".

<u>Present law</u> defines "approved college of pharmacy" as a college or school that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

<u>Present law</u> continues its definition by including that an "approved college of pharmacy" is a foreign college or school that has been recognized by the World Health Organization's "World Directory of Schools of Pharmacy" or other board and has attained equivalency status approved by the board.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains the definition provided by <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> clarifies that a college or school that is either accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or is recognized by the World Health Organization's "World Directory of Schools of Pharmacy" or other board is an approved college of pharmacy.

<u>Proposed law</u> clarifies that a college or school which meets either of the two definitions provided by <u>present law</u> is an approved college of pharmacy.

(Amends R.S. 37:1164(2)(intro. para.) and (b))