## **ACT No. 298**

HOUSE BILL NO. 159

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BY REPRESENTATIVES HOFFMANN, BURRELL, CHANEY, HUNTER, JACKSON, LEBAS, JAY MORRIS, PONTI, AND SHADOIN AND SENATORS JOHNS, KOSTELKA, MILLS, RISER, THOMPSON, AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1184(introductory paragraph), (2)(a), and (3)(a), 1207(A),
3	and 1230(A), relative to fees of the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; to establish the
4	pharmacy education support fee to be collected by the board; to provide for
5	assessment of the fee at the time of pharmacist license renewal and pharmacy permit
6	renewal; to provide an option for pharmacists and pharmacies to elect not to remit
7	the fee; to dedicate the proceeds of the fee to certain public university pharmacy
8	schools; to provide for disbursement of the proceeds of the fee; and to provide for
9	related matters.
10	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
1	Section 1. R.S. 37:1184(introductory paragraph), (2)(a), and (3)(a), 1207(A), and
12	1230(A) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
13	§1184. Fees
14	Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, the fees and costs
15	established by the board in accordance with R.S. 37:1182(A)(19) R.S. 37:1182(A)
16	shall not be less than the following schedule:
17	Minimum
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19	(2) Licenses, permits, certification, registrations,
20	and examinations for pharmacists
21	(a)(i) Annual renewal fee for license \$100.00

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

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first annually. The public university pharmacy school shall utilize these monies

solely for the benefit of its pharmacy education program and the expenditure of such

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funds shall be approved by the board of supervisors of the university system of which the university is a member. The funds collected pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in addition to any other monies received by the university that operates the pharmacy school and are intended to supplement and not replace, displace, or supplant any other funds that the university receives from the state or from any other source.

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§1230. Renewal of permits; expiration; reinstatement

A.(1) Each pharmacy issued a permit by the board shall apply for renewal annually, at the time designated by the board and pay a fee specified by the board.

(2)(a)(i) The board shall assess on each annual pharmacy permit renewal required by this Section an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be designated as the "pharmacy education support fee". This fee shall be dedicated and allocated as specified in this Paragraph to an accredited school of pharmacy of a public university in this state. The board shall include on each permit renewal form issued to a pharmacy an optional election whereby the pharmacy may elect not to remit the one hundred dollar pharmacy education support fee.

- (ii) For purposes of this Paragraph, "accredited" shall mean possession of current accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.
- (b) The board shall disburse all monies collected pursuant to this Paragraph to an accredited public university pharmacy school in this state on or before April first annually. The public university pharmacy school shall utilize these monies solely for the benefit of its pharmacy education program and the expenditure of such funds shall be approved by the board of supervisors of the university system of which the university is a member. The funds collected pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in addition to any other monies received by the university that operates the pharmacy school and are intended to supplement and not replace, displace, or

1	supplant any other funds that the university receives from the state or from any other
2	source.
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	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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