

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 298 (HB 159)

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New law provides that in addition to any other fee authorized by existing law, the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, referred to hereafter as "the board", shall assess an optional fee of \$100 on annual renewals of pharmacist licenses and pharmacy permits. Provides that the additional \$100 fee be designated as the "pharmacy education support fee". Requires the board to include on each license or permit renewal form issued to a pharmacist or pharmacy an optional election whereby the person or pharmacy may elect not to remit this additional \$100 fee.

New law provides that all proceeds of the fee established by new law shall be dedicated and allocated to an accredited school of pharmacy of a public university in this state. Requires the board to disburse all monies collected pursuant to new law to the public university pharmacy school on or before April 1 annually.

New law requires that the university receiving the proceeds of the fee utilize the monies solely for the benefit of its pharmacy education program. Provides that the expenditure of such funds shall be approved by the board of supervisors of the university system of which the university is a member.

New law stipulates that the funds collected pursuant to new law shall be in addition to any other monies received by the university that operates the pharmacy school; and that such funds 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.

Effective August 1, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 37:1184(intro. para.), (2)(a), and (3)(a), 1207(A), and 1230(A))