TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

CHAPTER 281. ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURES

SUBCHAPTER C. DISCIPLINARY GUIDELINES

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The Texas State Board of Pharmacy proposes amendments to §281.66, concerning Application for Reissuance or Removal of Restrictions of a License. The amendments, if adopted, clarify that the rules regarding reissuance of a license or registration or the removal of restrictions on a license or registration includes pharmacy technicians and rename the section Application for Reissuance or Removal of Restrictions of a License or Registration.

Gay Dodson, R.Ph., Executive Director/Secretary, has determined that, for the first five-year period the rule is in effect, there will be no fiscal implications for state or local government as a result of enforcing or administering the rule.

Ms. Dodson has determined that, for each year of the first five-year period the rule will be in effect, the public benefit anticipated as a result of enforcing the rule will be to ensure that only qualified individuals are allowed to practice pharmacy. There is no fiscal impact for individuals, small or large businesses or to other entities which are required to comply with this section.

Comments on the proposed amendments may be submitted to Allison Benz, R.Ph., M.S., Director of Professional Services, Texas State Board of Pharmacy, 333 Guadalupe Street, Suite 3-600, Austin, Texas 78701, FAX (512) 305-8082. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., October 30, 2008.

The amendments are proposed under §551.002 and §554.051 of the Texas Pharmacy Act (Chapters 551 - 566 and 568 - 569, Texas Occupations Code). The Board interprets §551.002 as authorizing the agency to protect the public through the effective control and regulation of the practice of pharmacy. The Board interprets §554.051(a) as authorizing the agency to adopt rules for the proper administration and enforcement of the Act.

The statutes affected by this rule: Texas Pharmacy Act, Chapters 551 - 566 and 568 - 569, Texas Occupations Code.

§281.66.Application for Reissuance or Removal of Restrictions of a License or Registration.

(a) A person whose pharmacy license, <u>pharmacy technician registration</u>, or license <u>or registration</u> to practice pharmacy has been canceled, revoked, or restricted, whether voluntary or by action of the board, may, after 12 months from the effective date of such cancellation, revocation, or restriction, apply to the board for reinstatement or removal of the restriction of the license <u>or registration</u>.

(1) - (5) (No change.)

- (b) The board may consider the following items in determining the reinstatement of an applicant's previously revoked or canceled <u>license or registration</u> [pharmacist license]:
- (1) (5) (No change.)
- (6) offers of employment in pharmacy [as a pharmacist];
- (7) (No change.)
- (8) failure to comply with the provisions of the board order revoking or canceling the applicant's license or registration;
- (9) (10) (No change.)
- (11) the gravity of the offense for which the applicant's license <u>or registration</u> was canceled, revoked, or restricted and the impact the offense had upon the public health, safety and welfare;
- (12) the length of time since the applicant's license <u>or registration</u> was canceled, revoked or restricted, as a factor in determining whether the time period has been sufficient for the applicant to have rehabilitated himself/herself to be able to practice pharmacy in a manner consistent with the public health, safety and welfare;
- (13) (14) (No change.)

This agency hereby certifies that the proposal has been reviewed by legal counsel and found to be within the agency's legal authority to adopt.

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