

Amendment No. 1 to SB2188

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2188*

House Bill No. 2746

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 10, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) A pharmacist, in good faith, may provide ivermectin to a patient who is eighteen (18) years of age or older pursuant to a valid collaborative pharmacy practice agreement containing a non-patient-specific prescriptive order and standardized procedures developed and executed by one (1) or more authorized prescribers.

(b) The pharmacist shall maintain the collaborative pharmacy practice agreement in accordance with § 63-10-217.

(c) The board of pharmacy shall adopt rules to establish standard procedures for the provision of ivermectin by pharmacists, including:

(1) Providing the patient with a screening risk assessment tool;

(2) Providing the patient with a standardized factsheet that includes, but is not limited to, the indications and contraindications for use of ivermectin, the appropriate method for using ivermectin, the importance of medical follow-up, and other information deemed appropriate by the board; and

(3) Either dispensing the ivermectin or referring the patient to a pharmacy that may dispense the medication as soon as practical.

(d) A pharmacist, pharmacist's employer, or pharmacist's agent may charge an administrative fee for services provided pursuant to this section in addition to costs associated with the dispensing of ivermectin and paid by the pharmacy benefit.

(e) A pharmacist or prescriber acting in good faith and with reasonable care involved in the provision of ivermectin pursuant to this section is immune from disciplinary or adverse administrative actions under this title for acts or omissions during the provision of ivermectin.

(f) A pharmacist or prescriber involved in the provision of ivermectin pursuant to this section is immune from civil liability in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct for actions authorized by this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.