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SENATE BILL NO. 973

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 338, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to dispensing maintenance medication.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 338, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 338.202, to read as follows:

**338.202. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, unless
2 the prescriber has specified on the prescription that dispensing a
3 prescription for a maintenance medication in an initial amount
4 followed by periodic refills is medically necessary, a pharmacist may
5 exercise his or her professional judgment to dispense varying
6 quantities of maintenance medication per fill up to the total number of
7 dosage units as authorized by the prescriber on the original
8 prescription, including any refills.**

9 **2. For the purposes of this section "maintenance medication" is
10 a medication prescribed for chronic, long-term conditions and is taken
11 on a regular, recurring basis, except that it shall not include controlled
12 substances as defined in section 195.010.**

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