



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 615**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1670**

**By Green, Briggs**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1695

By Pitts, Terry, Reedy, Cameron Sexton, Kumar, Sherrell, Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 53; Title 58 and Title 63, Chapter 10, relative to honoring certain prescriptions during a disaster.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-10-207, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (d):

(d)(1) For the purpose of this subsection (d) only, "patient" means a patient from this state, or another state or territory, who was displaced by a disaster, as defined in § 58-2-101, when the patient is present in this state.

(2) A pharmacist in this state may, in good faith, dispense to a patient without proper authorization or a valid prescription the number of dosages of a prescription drug necessary to allow the patient to secure proper authorization or a valid prescription from the patient's prescriber.

(3) The amount of a prescription drug dispensed under this subsection (d) shall not exceed a twenty-day supply.

(4) Prescription information may be obtained from a prescription label, verbal medical order, verbal prescription order, or any other means determined to be legitimate in the professional judgment of the pharmacist.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 12, 2018

  
RANDY McNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2018

  
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR