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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO REMOTE DISPENSING PHARMACY.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many individuals 2 living in underserved or remote areas need improved access to 3 medications and pharmacy services. Without access to a pharmacy, individuals face tremendous barriers to obtaining 4 5 basic, much-needed medications. To permit residents on rural 6 islands and in remote areas to have access to a remote 7 dispensing pharmacy the legislature passed Act 96, Session Laws 8 of Hawaii 2009.

9 The purpose of this Act is to clarify the definitions of 10 "remote dispensing machine" and "remote dispensing pharmacy" to 11 allow remote dispensing pharmacies to better serve these 12 residents.

13 SECTION 2. Section 461-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 14 amended by amending the definitions of "remote dispensing 15 machine" and "remote dispensing pharmacy" to read as follows: 16 "Remote dispensing machine" means a device used for 17 dispensing unit-of-use drugs [that are acquired pursuant to 18 section 340B of the Public Health Service Act, Title 42 United SB2770 HD1 HMS 2010-2654

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States-Code section-256b,] that is operated using information 1 2 technologies and is located in a remote dispensing pharmacy. 3 "Remote dispensing pharmacy" means the area in [an 4 institutional facility, including] a federally qualified health 5 center[, providing] that provides outpatient medical care in any county, [by dispensing] where prescription drugs [that are 6 7 acquired pursuant to section 340B of the Public Health Service 8 Act, Title 42 United States Code section 256b,] are dispensed 9 through the use of a remote dispensing machine." 10 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050; 13 provided that the definitions of "remote dispensing machine" and 14 "remote dispensing pharmacy", as amended by this Act, shall not 15 be repealed when the amendments to section 461-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, are repealed on January 2, 2014, pursuant to section 7 16 17 of Act 212, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, as amended by Act 96, 18 Session Laws of Hawaii 2009.



## Report Title:

Pharmacy; Remote Dispensing Pharmacy; Remote Dispensing Machine

## Description:

Clarifies the definitions of "remote dispensing machine" and "remote dispensing pharmacy". Effective July 1, 2050. (SB2770 HD1)

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