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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that allowing post office  
2 boxes to be used for prescriptions, as long as the physical  
3 address is readily accessible, would save pharmacists time  
4 because they would not have to take the required steps to change  
5 the post office box number to a physical address.

6       The legislature further finds that allowing post office  
7 boxes to be used for prescriptions makes good use of technology  
8 and a more efficient workflow.

9       The purpose of this Act is to amend the definition of  
10 "address" in chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to make post  
11 office boxes permissible if a physical address is readily  
12 accessible.

13       SECTION 2. Section 329-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended by amending the definition of "address" to read as  
15 follows:

16       ""Address" means, with respect to prescriptions, the  
17 physical location where an individual resides such as:



1 (1) Street address, city, and state;

2 (2) Tax map key number; or

3 (3) The description of a physical location.

4 Unless the context dictates otherwise, for purposes of this  
5 chapter, "address" also includes a post office box; provided  
6 that the pharmacy dispensing the prescription has on file the  
7 physical location where an individual resides."

8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Electronic Prescription Filing Systems; Controlled Substances

**Description:**

Allows the utilization of post office boxes for controlled substances prescriptions by amending the definition of "address" under chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Effective 1/1/2050.  
(SD1)

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