

Senate Bill 520

Sponsored by Senator KRUSE

SUMMARY

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Permits pharmacists to administer vaccines to individuals at least seven years of age. Directs State Board of Pharmacy to amend rules relating to administration of vaccines.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to vaccinations administered by pharmacists; creating new provisions; amending ORS
3 689.645; and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 689.645 is amended to read:

6 689.645. (1) In accordance with rules adopted by the State Board of Pharmacy under ORS
7 689.205, a pharmacist may administer vaccines:

8 (a) To persons who are *[11]* **seven** years of age or older; or

9 (b) If authorized by the Governor under ORS 433.441 or the Public Health Director under ORS
10 433.443 or 433.444, to a person three years of age or older.

11 (2) The board may adopt rules allowing a pharmacist to prescribe vaccines under subsection (1)
12 of this section. The rules may be only as broad as necessary to enable pharmacists to enroll and
13 participate in the Vaccines for Children Program administered by the Centers for Disease Control
14 and Prevention.

15 (3) The board is authorized to issue, to licensed pharmacists who have completed training ac-
16 credited by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Council on Pharmaceu-
17 tical Education or a similar health authority or professional body, certificates of special competency
18 in the prescription and administration of vaccines.

19 (4) The board shall adopt rules relating to the reporting of the prescription and administration
20 of vaccines to a patient's primary health care provider and to the Oregon Health Authority.

21 (5) The board shall adopt rules requiring pharmacists to establish protocols for the prescription
22 and administration of vaccines under subsection (1) of this section.

23 (6) The board shall convene a volunteer Immunization and Vaccination Advisory Committee
24 consisting of no more than nine members for the purpose of advising the board in promulgating rules
25 under this section. The committee shall consist of one representative from the Oregon Health Au-
26 thority, two representatives from the Oregon Medical Board, two representatives from the Oregon
27 State Board of Nursing and two representatives from the State Board of Pharmacy. The committee
28 may not include more than two pharmacists other than the representatives from the State Board of
29 Pharmacy.

30 **SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to ORS 689.645 by section 1 of this 2015 Act become**
31 **operative on January 1, 2016.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **(2) The State Board of Pharmacy may take any action before the operative date specified**
2 **in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary for the board to exercise, on or after the**
3 **operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and powers**
4 **conferred on the board by section 1 of this 2015 Act.**

5 **(3) On or before January 1, 2016, the State Board of Pharmacy shall amend rules adopted**
6 **under ORS 689.645, to implement the amendments to ORS 689.645 by section 1 of this 2015**
7 **Act.**

8 **SECTION 3.** **This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
9 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**
10 **on its passage.**

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