THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 159

Session of 1995

INTRODUCED BY LESCOVITZ, COLAIZZO, DALEY, TIGUE, PESCI, TRELLO, BELFANTI, COLAFELLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, LAUGHLIN, BELARDI, YOUNGBLOOD AND BATTISTO, JANUARY 20, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, JANUARY 20, 1995

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of November 24, 1976 (P.L.1163, No.259),
- 2 entitled "An act relating to the prescribing and dispensing
- of generic equivalent drugs," further providing information
- 4 on drug labels.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Section 3(e) of the act of November 24, 1976
- 8 (P.L.1163, No.259), referred to as the Generic Equivalent Drug
- 9 Law, is amended to read:
- 10 Section 3. * * *
- 11 (e) Unless the prescriber directs otherwise, the label on
- 12 all drugs dispensed by a pharmacist shall indicate the generic
- 13 name using abbreviations if necessary [and], the name of the
- 14 manufacturer and the name of the prescribed brand name drug. The
- 15 same notation shall be made on the original prescription
- 16 retained by the pharmacist.
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- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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