THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2310 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY WHITE, BELFANTI, FREEMAN, HORNAMAN, JOSEPHS, MANDERINO, McILVAINE SMITH, MOUL, PASHINSKI, READSHAW, SIPTROTH AND SWANGER, MARCH 12, 2010

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, MARCH 12, 2010

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699),
2   entitled "An act relating to the regulation of the practice
3   of pharmacy, including the sales, use and distribution of
4   drugs and devices at retail; and amending, revising,
5   consolidating and repealing certain laws relating thereto,"
6   further providing for unlawful acts.

7   The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

8 hereby enacts as follows:

9   Section 1. Section 8 of the act of September 27, 1961

10 (P.L.1700, No.699), known as the Pharmacy Act, is amended by

11 adding a clause to read:

12   Section 8. Unlawful Acts.--It shall be unlawful for:

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14   (16) Any pharmacist to exhibit, discuss or reveal any part

15 of the contents of any prescription, including the medication

16 prescribed, the name of the prescriber, the therapeutic effect

17 of the medication, the nature, extent or degree of illness

18 suffered by any patient or any medical information furnished by

19 the prescriber with any person other than the patient or his or

1 her authorized representative, the prescriber or other licensed

2 practitioner then caring for the patient, another licensed

3 pharmacist serving the patient or a person duly authorized by

4 law to receive such information. This section shall not be

5 interpreted to interfere with legitimate peer review conducted

6 by a hospital, physician group practice, health maintenance

7 organization or other entity which is engaged in the review of

8 one of its licensed or credentialed providers. This section

9 shall also not be interpreted to prevent the sharing of

10 prescribing information by a pharmacist with a patient's

11 insurer.

12   Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.