

SENATE, No. 839

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Provides prescriber or health care facility with discretion to number prescription blank forms consecutively.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning prescription drug blank forms and amending
2 P.L.2003, c.280.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. Section 20 of P.L.2003, c.280 (C.45:14-59) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 20. The Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law
10 and Public Safety shall establish the format for uniform, non-
11 reproducible, non-erasable safety paper prescription blanks, to be
12 known as New Jersey Prescription Blanks, which format shall
13 include an identifiable logo or symbol that will appear on all
14 prescription blanks. The prescription blanks for each prescriber or
15 health care facility shall, at the discretion of the prescriber or health
16 care facility, be numbered consecutively, and if the prescriber or
17 health care facility has a National Provider Identifier**[,]** the
18 prescription blank shall include the National Provider Identifier.
19 The division shall approve a sufficient number of vendors to ensure
20 production of an adequate supply of New Jersey Prescription
21 Blanks for practitioners and health care facilities Statewide.

22 (cf: P.L.2007, c.244, s.22)

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill amends section 20 of P.L.2003, c.280 (C.45:14-59),
30 concerning the format for New Jersey Prescription Blanks (uniform,
31 non-reproducible, non-erasable safety paper prescription blanks), to
32 provide that the prescription blanks for each prescriber or health
33 care facility would, at the discretion of the prescriber or health care
34 facility, be numbered consecutively. Current law requires that the
35 prescription blanks be numbered consecutively, without giving the
36 prescriber or health care facility discretion to consecutively number
37 the blanks.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter underlined thus is new matter.