

practice in the state, and shall not be refilled without the written or oral order of the prescriber: *Provided*, That the above provisions shall not apply to the sale at wholesale by drug jobbers, drug wholesalers, and drug manufacturers to pharmacies or to physicians, dentists, or veterinary surgeons, nor to each other, nor to the sale at retail in pharmacies by pharmacists to each other or to physicians, surgeons, dentists or veterinary surgeons licensed to practice in this state; nor to the sale of sulfa drugs and their compounds for external or topical application when so marked and labeled or to the sale of veterinary sulfa products and their compounds when so marked and labeled but only after each of the drugs or products has been approved as being safe for use without medical supervision by regulation of the board of pharmacy of the state.

Exempt
transactions.

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CHAPTER 25.

[H. B. 36.]

NARCOTIC DRUGS—SALES BY APOTHECARY—LABELS.

AN ACT relating to narcotic drugs; permitting the filling of oral prescriptions for certain drugs; amending sections 6 and 10, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 second extraordinary session and RCW 69.33.060 and 69.33.100; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 6, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 second extraordinary session and RCW 69.33.060 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

(1) An apothecary, in good faith, may sell and dispense narcotic drugs to any person upon a written prescription or an oral prescription in pursuance to

Apothecary
sale of nar-
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prescription.

regulations promulgated by the United States commissioner of narcotics under the existing federal narcotic laws, of a physician, dentist, or veterinarian, dated and signed by the person prescribing on the day when issued and bearing the full name and address of the patient for whom, or of the owner of the animal for which, the drug is dispensed, and the full name, address, and registry number under the federal narcotic laws of the person prescribing, if he is required by those laws to be so registered. If the prescription be for an animal, it shall state the species of animal for which the drug is prescribed. The person filling the prescription shall write the date of filling and his own signature on the face of the prescription. The prescription shall be retained on file by the proprietor of the pharmacy in which it is filled for a period of two years, so as to be readily accessible for inspection by any public officer or employee engaged in the enforcement of this chapter. The prescription shall not be refilled.

Sale of stock of narcotics of pharmacy.

(2) The legal owner of any stock of narcotic drugs in a pharmacy, upon discontinuance of dealing in said drugs, may sell said stock to a manufacturer, wholesaler, or apothecary, but only on an official written order.

Apothecary sale of narcotics to physicians, etc.

(3) An apothecary, only upon an official written order, may sell to a physician, dentist, or veterinarian, in quantities not exceeding one ounce at any one time, aqueous or oleaginous solutions of which the content of narcotic drugs does not exceed a proportion greater than twenty percent of the complete solution, to be used for medical purposes.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. Section 10, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 second extraordinary session and RCW 69.33.100 are each amended to read as follows:

Sale of narcotics by manufacturer or wholesaler; labels.

(1) Whenever a manufacturer sells or dispenses a narcotic drug, and whenever a wholesaler sells or dispenses a narcotic drug in a package prepared by

him, he shall securely affix to each package in which that drug is contained a label showing in legible English the name and address of the vendor and the quantity, kind, and form of narcotic drug contained therein. No person except an apothecary for the purpose of filling a prescription under this chapter, shall alter, deface, or remove any label so affixed.

(2) Whenever an apothecary sells or dispenses any narcotic drug on a prescription issued by a physician, dentist, or veterinarian, he shall affix to the container in which such drug is sold or dispensed, a label showing his own name, address, and registry number, or the name, address, and registry number of the apothecary for whom he is lawfully acting; the name and address of the patient or, if the patient is an animal, the name and address of the owner of the animal and the species of the animal; the name, address, and registry number of the physician, dentist, or veterinarian, by whom the prescription was issued, and such directions as may be stated on the prescription. No person shall alter, deface, or remove any label so affixed.

Sale of narcotics by apothecary: labels.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Emergency.

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