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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Sara Howard

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 27, 2020

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1065 would revise the Pharmacy Practice Act. The bill would remove restrictions on the number of pharmacist technicians and pharmacist interns a pharmacist may supervise and would permit the pharmacist technician to perform additional administrative, non-discretionary duties in the pharmacy under pharmacist supervision. These duties include transferring non-controlled prescriptions to another pharmacist, pharmacy intern, or pharmacy technician for a refill.

LB1065 also allows the technician to consult with a prescriber to clarify a prescription question that does not require the clinical judgment of a pharmacist and allows a practitioner or their agent to communicate a prescription to a pharmacy technician.

LB 1065 additionally allows for the practice of technician validation of acts, tasks, and functions of another pharmacy technician in any pharmacy licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services under the supervision of a pharmacist, permitting this practice in more than just a hospital pharmacy.

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