

REFERENCE TITLE: pharmacists; prescriptions; refusal; prohibition

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Introduced by
Senator Rogers

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 32, CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE 3, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 32-1965.01; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF
PHARMACY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 32, chapter 18, article 3, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 32-1965.01, to read:

4 32-1965.01. Pharmacists; refusal to fill prescription orders;
5 unprofessional conduct

6 A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 41-1493.04, A PHARMACIST MAY NOT
7 REFUSE TO FILL ANY VALID PRESCRIPTION ORDER WRITTEN BY ANY LICENSED HEALTH
8 CARE PROVIDER. A PHARMACIST'S REFUSAL TO FILL A VALID PRESCRIPTION ORDER
9 IS AN ACT OF UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT FOR WHICH THE PHARMACIST'S LICENSE MAY
10 BE SUSPENDED.

11 B. PATIENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO TRY THERAPEUTIC MEDICATIONS OF THEIR
12 CHOICE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PATIENT'S PRESCRIBING LICENSED HEALTH CARE
13 PROVIDER, INCLUDING NOVEL TREATMENTS TO ADDRESS UNIQUE MEDICAL
14 CIRCUMSTANCES. A PHARMACIST MAY NOT REFUSE TO FILL A VALID PRESCRIPTION
15 ORDER OR IMPEDE OR OBSTRUCT THE DELIVERY OF MEDICATIONS TO A PATIENT.