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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 338, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to board of pharmacy pilot programs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 338, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 338.143, to read as follows:

338.143. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:

(1) "Remote medication dispensing", dispensing or assisting in the dispensing of medication outside of a licensed pharmacy;

(2) "Technology assisted verification", the verification of medication or prescription information using a combination of scanning technology and visual confirmation by a pharmacist.

2. The board of pharmacy may approve, modify, and establish requirements for pharmacy pilot or demonstration research projects related to technology assisted verification or remote medication dispensing that are designed to enhance patient care or safety, improve patient outcomes, or expand access to pharmacy services.

3. To be approved, pilot or research projects shall be within the scope of the practice of pharmacy as defined by chapter 228, be under the supervision of a Missouri licensed pharmacist, and comply with applicable compliance and reporting as established by the board by rule, including any staff training or education requirements. Board approval shall be limited to a period of up to eighteen months, provided the board grant an additional six month extension if deemed necessary or appropriate to gather or complete research data or if deemed in the best interests of the patient. The board may rescind approval of a pilot

project at any time if deemed necessary or appropriate in the interest of patient safety.

4. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on August 28, 2023. The board shall provide a final report on approved projects and related data or findings to the general assembly on or before December 31, 2022. The name, location, approval dates, general description of and responsible pharmacist for an approved pilot or research project shall be deemed an open record.

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