PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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PROPOSED WORKSHOP LANGUAGE AMENDING NAC 639.725 As Amended by the Workshop on October 18, 2012

NAC 639.725 Use of mechanical counting device for dispensing medication to be taken orally. (NRS 639.070, 639.2655, 639.2801)

- 1. A mechanical counting device that is used by a pharmacy for dispensing medication to be taken orally must use one of the following methods to identify the contents of the device:
 - (a) The following information must be affixed to the front of each cell of the device:
 - (1) The generic name or trade name of the medication;
 - (2) The manufacturer of the medication;
 - (3) The strength of the medication;
 - (4) The expiration date of the medication;
 - (5) The lot number of the medication; [and]
 - (6) The date the last filling was added to cell; and
 - (7) The initials of the pharmacist who:
 - (I) Placed the medication into the device; or
- (II) Verified the correctness of the drug placed into the device when the drug was placed by a pharmaceutical technician, a pharmaceutical technician in training or an intern pharmacist; or
- (b) A label that shows the generic name or trade name and the strength of the medication must be affixed to each cell of the device and a log must be kept for each cell which contains:
 - (1) An identification of the cell by the name of the medication or the number of the cell;
 - (2) The name of the manufacturer of the medication;
 - (3) The expiration date of the medication;
 - (4) The lot number of the medication;
 - (5) The amount of the medication placed in the device; [and]
 - (6) The date the last filling was added to the cell; and;
 - (7) The initials of the pharmacist who:
 - (I) Placed the medication into the device; or
- (II) Verified the correctness of the drug placed into the device when the drug was placed by a pharmaceutical technician, a pharmaceutical technician in training or an intern pharmacist.
- 2. A record of any drug filled into a mechanical counting device shall be maintained either electronically or manually for two years and must include but not be limited to include the information listed in section 1(b) of this regulation.
- [2] 3. The Board may prohibit a pharmacy from using a mechanical counting device for dispensing medication to be taken orally if the pharmacy does not identify the contents of the device in accordance with the provisions of subsection 1.