## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 639.070 and 639.2801.

A REGULATION relating to mechanical counting devices for dispensing medication; revising the provisions governing the use of such devices; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** NAC 639.725 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.725 1. A mechanical counting device that is used by a [pharmacist] 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 initials of the pharmacist who [placed]:
    - (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 initials of the pharmacist who [placed]:
    - (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. The Board may prohibit a pharmacist from using a mechanical counting device for dispensing medication to be taken orally if he does not identify the contents of the device in accordance with the provisions of subsection 1.