

SENATE BILL 139

J2, K1

3lr1597
CF 3lr0861

By: **Senator Conway**

Introduced and read first time: January 16, 2013

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health Care Practitioners – Prescription Drug or Device Dispensing –**
3 **Medical Facilities or Clinics That Specialize in Treatment Reimbursable**
4 **Through Workers’ Compensation Insurance**

5 FOR the purpose of repealing a certain exception from the requirement that an
6 individual be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy before the individual may
7 practice pharmacy in the State; requiring a dentist, physician, or podiatrist who
8 dispenses a prescription drug or device in the course of treating a patient at a
9 medical facility or clinic that specializes in the treatment of medical cases
10 reimbursable through workers’ compensation insurance to obtain a dispensing
11 permit and meet certain other requirements; and generally relating to
12 dispensing of prescription drugs or devices by dentists, physicians, or
13 podiatrists.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Health Occupations
16 Section 12–102(g)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article – Health Occupations**

22 12–102.

23 (g) This title does not prohibit a dentist, physician, or podiatrist from
24 dispensing a prescription drug or device in the course of treating a patient:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) [At a medical facility or clinic that specializes in the treatment of
2 medical cases reimbursable through workers' compensation insurance;

3 (2)] At a medical facility or clinic that is operated on a nonprofit basis;

4 [(3)] (2) At a health center that operates on a campus of an
5 institution of higher education; or

6 [(4)] (3) At a public health facility, a medical facility under contract
7 with a State or local health department, or a facility funded with public funds.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 July 1, 2013.