

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2974

By: Roach

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
amending 59 O.S. 1991, Section 355, which relates  
to the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act; amending 59 O.S.  
1991, Section 567.2, as amended by Section 1,  
Chapter 97, O.S.L. 1994 (59 O.S. Supp. 1995,  
Section 567.2), which relates to the Oklahoma  
Nursing Practice Act; clarifying language; and  
providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 1991, Section 355, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 355. As used in ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act:

1. "Dangerous drugs" means any drug intended for use by man  
which, because of its toxicity or other potentiality for harmful  
effects, or the method of its use, or the collateral measures  
necessary for its use, is not safe for use except under the  
supervision of a practitioner licensed by law to administer such  
drugs. This shall include all drugs upon which the manufacturer or  
distributor has, in compliance with federal law and regulations,  
placed the following: "Caution - Federal Law prohibits dispensing  
without prescription";

2. "Licensed practitioner" means a physician, dentist, podiatrist, osteopathic physician, veterinarian, or optometrist licensed to practice and authorized to prescribe medication within the scope of his practice; and

3. "Professional samples" means complimentary drugs packaged in accordance with federal and state statutes and regulations and provided to a licensed practitioner free of charge by manufacturers or distributors and distributed free of charge in such package by the licensed practitioner to his patients.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 1991, Section 567.2, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 97, O.S.L. 1994 (59 O.S. Supp. 1995, Section 567.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 567.2 The purpose of ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act is to safeguard the public health and welfare by requiring any person who practices or offers to practice registered nursing or practical nursing in this state to be a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse, and to submit sufficient evidence that he or she is qualified so to practice and shall be licensed as hereinafter provided. It shall be unlawful for any person to practice or offer to practice registered nursing, practical nursing or to practice or offer to practice as an advanced practice nurse, or use any title, abbreviation, sign or device to indicate that he or she is a licensed registered nurse, or is a licensed practical nurse or an advanced practice nurse unless he or she has been duly licensed and registered and recognized as meeting the qualifications as provided for in this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 1996.

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