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SENATE AMENDMENT" A" to H.P. 1538, L.D. 1849, Bill, "AN ACT to Permit Pharmacists to Advertise Drug Prices and to Provide Retail Price Posting Information to Pharmacies."

Amend said Bill in that part designated "§2204-F." by inserting at the end of the first paragraph the following underlined sentences:

'This price listing shall not list any drug included in the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, 84 Sts. 1236. For the purpose of this price listing, hypodermic needles and hypodermic syringes shall not be deemed a drug.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§2204-F." by inserting after the 2nd paragraph the following new paragraphs:

'A licensed pharmacy is authorized to maintain, instead of a posted list, a book containing a price listing of those 100 drugs sold most frequently in the State during the previous year which bear the legend: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription." This price listing shall not list any drug included in the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, 84 Sts. 1236. For the purpose of this price listing, hypodermic needles and hypodermic syringes shall not be deemed a drug. The contents of this book shall be prepared in the same manner as the price listing under this section, and shall conform to the requirements of subsections 2 to 6.

This book shall be of uniform size and format

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to be determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Profession of Pharmacy in order to facilitate ease of use. This book shall be available for public use and shall be located within the licensed pharmacy in a manner permitting convenient use by the public.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting in the next to the last line before the statement of fact (same in L.D.) after the underlined words "listed price" the following: 'or price contained within a book substituted under this section for a posted price list'

Statement of Fact

This amendment permits a pharmacy to substitute for a posted price list a book containing the information on a posted price list. This book shall be available for public use.

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