

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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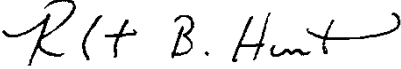
H.P. 836

House of Representatives, April 2, 2015

### **An Act Regarding the Administration of Vaccines by Pharmacists**

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Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

  
ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative NUTTING of Oakland.  
Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and  
Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, CAMPBELL of Newfield, CHACE of Durham, McCABE  
of Skowhegan.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §13831, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 308, §3, is amended  
3 to read:

4 **1. Administration of vaccines.** A pharmacist licensed in this State who meets the  
5 qualifications and requirements of section 13832 and rules adopted by the board may  
6 administer ~~topically or by injection or by inhalation all forms of influenza vaccines,~~  
7 ~~including intranasal influenza vaccines, to a person 9~~ vaccines licensed and recommended  
8 by the United States Food and Drug Administration or recommended by the United States  
9 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization  
10 Practices or other competent authority to persons who are 7 years of age or older ~~without~~  
11 ~~a prescription.~~

12 **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §13831, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 6, §1, is repealed.

13 **Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §13833, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 577, §6, is further  
14 amended to read:

15 **3. Notification.** Notification to the authorized practitioner who issued the  
16 prescription, or standing order ~~or protocol under section 13831, subsection 2~~ of the  
17 administration by the pharmacist of the drug or vaccine, or both, within 3 business days.

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This bill amends the law authorizing a pharmacist to administer influenza shots to a  
20 person 9 years of age or older to allow a licensed pharmacist who has received training to  
21 administer vaccines to persons 7 years of age or older.