1   AN ACT relating to pharmacists.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3   ➔Section 1.   KRS 217.215 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1)   The State Board of Pharmacy, its agents and inspectors shall have the same powers

5   of inspection and enforcement as the cabinet under KRS 217.005 to 217.215,

6   insofar as it relates to drugs in licensed pharmacies.

7 (2)   The Board of Pharmacy may establish regulations relating to the storage and

8   retrieval of prescription records in licensed pharmacies, including regulations

9   regarding computerized recordkeeping systems.

10 (3)   *(a)*   No prescription for any drug may be refilled by a pharmacist unless authorized

11   by the prescribing practitioner, except that *in emergency situations in which*

12   *such authorization may not be readily or easily obtained from the*

13   *practitioner*[the board of pharmacy may promulgate rules and regulations to

14   permit] a pharmacist *may*[to]:

15   *1.*[(a)]   Dispense up to a seventy-two (72) hour supply of maintenance

16   medication *unless the standard unit of dispensing for the drug exceeds*

17   *a seventy-two (72) hour supply, in which case a pharmacist may*

18   *dispense a supply of maintenance medication equal to the standard*

19   *unit of dispensing for the drug*[in emergency situations in which such

20   authorization may not be readily or easily obtained from the

21   practitioner]; and

22   *2.*[(b)]   Dispense up to a thirty (30) day supply of maintenance medication

23   in emergency situations as authorized by KRS 315.500.

24 *(b)*[(4)]   [Such]Emergency refills *dispensed under this subsection* shall not be

25   authorized for any controlled substance or for any drug which is not essential

26   to maintenance of life or continuation of therapy in chronic disease conditions.

27 *(c)   The Board of Pharmacy shall promulgate administrative regulations to*

1   *carry out the provisions of this subsection.*