

1 HB35
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3 By Representative Johnson
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2 ENROLLED, An Act,

3 Relating to the practice of pharmacy; to add Section
4 34-23-77 to the Code of Alabama 1975, to authorize a
5 pharmacist licensed by the Board of Pharmacy and a physician
6 licensed by the State Board of Medical Examiners to enter into
7 a collaborative practice agreement; and to authorize the Board
8 of Pharmacy and Board of Medical Examiners to adopt certain
9 fees.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. Section 34-23-77 is added to the Code of
12 Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

13 §34-23-77.

14 (a) A pharmacist licensed by the Board of Pharmacy
15 and a physician licensed by the State Board of Medical
16 Examiners may enter into a collaborative practice agreement.

17 (b) A copy of the collaborative practice agreement
18 and any amendment thereto shall be submitted to each
19 respective board within 10 days after the agreement is signed
20 by both parties.

21 (c) A collaborative practice agreement and any
22 amendment thereto shall not become effective until approved by
23 the Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Medical Examiners.

1 (d) The Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Medical
2 Examiners shall each adopt rules to implement this act. The
3 initial rules shall be adopted not later than October 1, 2019.

4 (e) A collaborative practice agreement between a
5 licensed pharmacist and a licensed physician may not be
6 approved unless both the Board of Pharmacy and Board of
7 Medical Examiners have rules in effect implementing this
8 section.

9 (f) Fees for physicians participating in a
10 collaborative practice with a licensed pharmacist shall be
11 collected and retained by the State Board of Medical
12 Examiners. Fees for pharmacists participating in a
13 collaborative practice with a licensed physician shall be
14 collected and retained by the Board of Pharmacy. The fee for a
15 physician participating in a collaborative practice shall be
16 set by the State Board of Medical Examiners in an amount not
17 to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The fee for a
18 pharmacist participating in a collaborative practice shall be
19 set by the Board of Pharmacy in an amount not to exceed three
20 hundred dollars (\$300).

21 (g) Nothing in this section shall preclude a
22 pharmacist licensed by the Board of Pharmacy employed by a
23 licensed health care facility from executing approved medical
24 protocols within the facility.

1 Section 2. This act shall become effective
2 immediately following its passage and approval by the
3 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

