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Ginter, Grossman, Hackett, Ryan**

A BILL

To enact section 4729.40 of the Revised Code to 1
authorize pharmacists to dispense multiple 2
refills of a prescription simultaneously under 3
certain circumstances. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4729.40 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 4729.40. (A) A pharmacist may do either of the 7
following when the conditions of division (B) of this section 8
are met: 9

(1) Fill one or more refills of a prescription at the same 10
time the prescription is originally filled; 11

(2) Fill multiple refills of a prescription at one time. 12

(B) A pharmacist may take either action described in 13
division (A) (1) or (2) of this section when all of the following 14
conditions are met: 15

(1) The prescription is not for a controlled substance, as 16

defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code. 17

(2) The prescriber does not include "dispense quantity
written," or another phrase having a similar meaning on the
prescription, or, when ordering a prescription electronically or
orally, the prescriber does not specify that the quantity of the
drug is to be dispensed as ordered. 18
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(3) The amount of the drug that is dispensed at one time
does not exceed a ninety-day supply as specified in the
prescription. 23
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(4) In the exercise of the pharmacist's professional
judgment, taking the action described in division (A) (1) or (2)
of this section is appropriate for the patient. 26
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