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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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

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12 **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §13831, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 6, §1, is repealed.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