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2 Introduced by Senators Miller, Kittell and White

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Health; prescription drugs; generic substitution; labeling

6 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to require the label on generic drugs  
7 to indicate both the generic and brand names for the medication.

8 An act relating to prescription drug labels

9 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

10 Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 4605 is amended to read:

11 § 4605. ALTERNATIVE DRUG SELECTION

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13 (e) If a pharmacist substitutes a generic drug for a name-brand prescribed  
14 drug when dispensing a prescribed medication, the pharmacist shall place on  
15 the container the name of the drug dispensed followed by the words “generic  
16 for” or “substitute for” followed by the brand or trade name of the product that  
17 is being replaced by the generic equivalent.

18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on September 1, 2011.