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Introduced by Representatives Till of Jericho, Brumsted of Shelburne,  
Colburn of Burlington, Conlon of Cornwall, Conquest of  
Newbury, Donovan of Burlington, Houghton of Essex, Lanpher  
of Vergennes, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston,  
Mrowicki of Putney, Ode of Burlington, Patt of Worcester,  
Rachelson of Burlington, Squirrell of Underhill, Sullivan of  
Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Yacovone of Morristown, and  
Yantachka of Charlotte

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Health; regulated drugs; pharmacist; proper disposal

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require  
pharmacists dispensing regulated drugs to provide patients with information  
regarding the importance of and processes for proper disposal of unused  
medication.

An act relating to pharmacists providing information on the proper disposal  
of unused regulated drugs

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

2 Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 4215 is amended to read:

3 § 4215. AUTHORIZED SALES BY PHARMACISTS

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5 (d) When dispensing a regulated drug pursuant to this section, a pharmacist  
6 shall provide to the patient written information regarding the importance of  
7 safely disposing of unused regulated drugs and how to do so properly.

8 Sec. 2. BOARD OF PHARMACY; PROPER DISPOSAL; RULEMAKING

9 The Board of Pharmacy, in consultation with the Department of Health,  
10 shall adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to establish the format and  
11 content of the written information that pharmacists shall provide to patients  
12 pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 4215 on the importance of and processes for proper  
13 disposal of unused regulated drugs.

14 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATES

15 (a) Sec. 1 (18 V.S.A. § 4215) shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

16 (b) Sec. 2 (Board of Pharmacy rulemaking) and this section shall take  
17 effect on passage, provided that the Board of Pharmacy shall provide  
18 pharmacists with a reasonable period of time following adoption of the Board's  
19 rules to make any necessary changes to their patient information materials to  
20 ensure compliance with the rules' format and content specifications.