

STATES OF DELIBERATION

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Billet d'État No. XX Article 13

AMENDMENT

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Proposed by: Deputy M. Hadley
Seconded by: Deputy R Perrot

Health and Social Services Department The Medicines Human and Veterinary) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2008 - Registration of Pharmacies

In proposition 2 after the words “To agree” to insert a comma and to add the words “subject to 2A below”

To insert a further proposition between proposition 2 and proposition 3 as follows –

“2A To agree that in relation to propositions 2(i) and 2(iii) a newly qualified pharmacist who has been qualified to practise as a pharmacist in the UK for less than three years shall be permitted to assist a principal pharmacist or, in certain circumstances to provide temporary locum cover for a principal pharmacist, such circumstances to include, for example the illness, or temporary absence of the principal pharmacist, where that principal pharmacist has been qualified to practise as a pharmacist in the UK for at least three years.”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

If propositions 2(i) and 2(iii) are not qualified as set out in proposition 2A, only pharmacists who have been qualified to practice as a pharmacist in the UK for at least 3 years and are not prohibited from practising under the Medicines (Human and Veterinary) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law would be able to carry on a retail pharmacy business or to supervise personally a retail pharmacy carried on by a body corporate. This means that newly qualified pharmacists who have been qualified to practise as a pharmacist in the UK for less than three years and who often gain retail pharmacy experience by assisting principal pharmacists or by providing locum cover for them might not be able to do so in future. Although the Department has assured pharmacists that it does not intend to prevent newly qualified pharmacists from assisting principal pharmacists or providing locum cover for them, unless the wording of the law clearly reflects this intention, newly qualified pharmacists may be at risk of committing an offence under the Medicines (Human and Veterinary) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law.