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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
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Subject: Bill Brief on House Bill 2587

House Bill 2587 authorizes a licensed private psychiatric hospital to maintain a stock supply of emergency medication kits for pharmaceutical emergencies. Subsection (a) allows a licensed private psychiatric hospital that uses the services of a pharmacist to stock and maintain an emergency medication kit. Subsection (b) states that the emergency medication kit shall only be used in emergency cases under the supervision of a prescriber and pharmacist. Subsection (c) provides that drugs in an emergency medication kit shall be maintained under the control of the pharmacist-in-charge until administered to the patient on a practitioner's order. Subsection (d) states that the emergency medication kit may contain controlled substances. If controlled substances are included, a pharmaceutical services committee is responsible for specifically limiting the type and quantity of controlled substance in each kit. Subsection (e) requires that the administration of controlled substances complies with the uniform controlled substances act.

Subsection (f) provides that the pharmacist-in-charge of the licensed private psychiatric hospital is responsible for developing procedures regarding the kit and maintaining complete and accurate records. Subsection (g) states that the secretary and state board of pharmacy jointly adopt rules and regulations that are necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act. The house committee on Health and Human Services amended the bill to add subsection (h) which requires a kit used by a licensed private psychiatric hospital to be consistent with kits used by state psychiatric hospitals. Subsection (i) provides definitions for terms used throughout the bill. The house committee further amended the bill to provide that use of secretary refers to the secretary of health and environment. HB 2587 passed the house on a vote of 106 to 10 and would take effect on July 1, 2027, after publication in the statute book.