

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2026

HOUSE BILL No. 2587

By Committee on Health and Human Services

Requested by John Monroe on behalf of Catalyst

1-28

1 AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to the regulation of
2 certain drugs; authorizing a licensed private psychiatric hospital to
3 maintain a stock supply of emergency medication kits for
4 pharmaceutical emergencies.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) A licensed private psychiatric hospital that utilizes the
8 services of a pharmacist may stock and maintain an emergency medication
9 kit approved by such hospital's medical staff and pharmacist.

10 (b) The emergency medication kit shall be used only in emergency
11 cases under the supervision and direction of a prescriber and a pharmacist
12 who shall have supervisory responsibility of maintaining such kit.

13 (c) Drugs in an emergency medication kit shall be maintained under
14 the control of the pharmacist-in-charge of the pharmacy from which the kit
15 came until administered to the patient upon the proper order of a
16 practitioner.

17 (d) Drugs contained within the emergency medication kit may
18 include controlled substances, but in such a case, a pharmaceutical
19 services committee shall be responsible for specifically limiting the type
20 and quantity of controlled substance to be placed in each emergency kit.

21 (e) Administration of controlled substances contained within the
22 emergency medication kit shall be in compliance with the provisions of the
23 uniform controlled substances act.

24 (f) The pharmacist-in-charge of the licensed private psychiatric
25 hospital shall be responsible for developing procedures, proper control and
26 accountability for the emergency kit and maintain complete and accurate
27 records.

28 (g) The secretary and the state board of pharmacy shall jointly adopt
29 such rules and regulations that are necessary to effectuate the provisions of
30 this act. Such rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the
31 contents of the emergency medication kit, procedures for the control and
32 accountability of the emergency medication kit, recordkeeping and storage
33 of the emergency medication kit.

34 (h) **An emergency medication kit used by a licensed private**
35 **psychiatric hospital shall be consistent with kits used by state**

1 **psychiatric hospitals.**

2 (i) As used in this section:

3 (1) "Emergency medication kit" means a stock supply of such drugs
4 as are required to meet the immediate therapeutic needs of patients when
5 the drug is not available from another source in sufficient time to prevent
6 harm;

7 (2) "licensed private psychiatric hospital" means an institution,
8 excluding state institutions as defined in K.S.A. 76-12a01, and
9 amendments thereto, that is primarily engaged in providing services, by
10 and under the supervision of qualified professionals, for the diagnosis and
11 treatment of mentally ill individuals that is licensed pursuant to K.S.A. 39-
12 2008, and amendments thereto;

13 (3) "pharmacist" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 65-1626, and
14 amendments thereto;

15 (4) "pharmacist-in-charge" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 65-
16 1626, and amendments thereto;

17 (5) "practitioner" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 65-1626, and
18 amendments thereto;

19 (6) "prescriber" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 65-1626, and
20 amendments thereto; and

21 (7) "secretary" means the secretary ~~for aging and disability services~~
22 **of health and environment.**

23 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
24 January 1, 2027, and its publication in the statute book.