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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary,

AN ACT

To amend chapter 338, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to prohibiting the interchange of anti-epileptic drugs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 338, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 338.058, to read as follows:

338.058. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:

- 3 (1) "Anti-epileptic drug", any drug prescribed for the treatment of epilepsy or the treatment or prevention of seizures;
- (2) "Epilepsy", a neurological condition characterized by 5 recurrent seizures:
- 7 (3) "Interchange", the substitution of one version of an antiepileptic drug for the anti-epileptic drug originally prescribed, including:
- 10 (a) A generic for the prescribed brand;
- (b) A brand for the prescribed drug; 11
- 12 (c) A generic by one manufacturer for a generic by a different 13 manufacturer;
- 14 (d) A different formulation of the prescribed anti-epileptic drug;
- 15 \mathbf{or}
- (e) A different anti-epileptic drug; 16
- (4) "Seizure", an acute clinical change secondary to a brief 17 disturbance in the electrical activity of the brain. 18
- 19 2. Notwithstanding section 338.056 to the contrary, a pharmacist

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20 shall not interchange an anti-epileptic drug without prior notification

21 and the signed, informed consent of the prescribing practitioner and

22 the patient or the patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse.

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