

**UPDATED SUMMARY
HOUSE BILL 14-1290**

Second Regular Session - Sixty-ninth Colorado General Assembly

This summary applies to the reengrossed version of this bill as introduced in the second house. It does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. This summary reflects only the main points of the legislation.

The bill ~~adds to the definition of~~ *authorizes a telepharmacy outlet to register with the state board of pharmacy (board) as an "other outlet" under the statutes governing the practice of pharmacy* ~~a if the telepharmacy outlet:~~

- ! Is located more than 20 miles from the nearest pharmacy ~~A prescribing practitioner cannot own a telepharmacy, and the state board of pharmacy is authorized to impose additional telepharmacy ownership restrictions by rule or telepharmacy outlet;~~*
- ! Is connected via computer link, videolink, and audiolink with a central pharmacy; and*
- ! Has a pharmacy technician on site who, under the remote supervision of a licensed pharmacist located at the central pharmacy, performs the pharmacy tasks permitted under current law.*

The bill makes an exception to the requirement that a licensed pharmacist be physically present to supervise a pharmacy technician in situations where the pharmacy technician is working in a registered telepharmacy outlet and the licensed pharmacist is connected to the telepharmacy outlet via computer link, videolink, and audiolink or other comparable telecommunication equipment and is readily available to consult with and assist the pharmacy technician.

The board is authorized to adopt rules to specify additional criteria for a telepharmacy outlet that the board deems necessary.