

## BILL ANALYSIS

**DATE:** 3/14/2007

**COMMITTEE:** Consumer Protection and  
Professional Licensure

**BILL NO.:** SB 313

**PRIME SPONSOR:** Senator Rafferty

**PRINTER NO.** 348

The bill amends the Pharmacy Act, to create a registration and qualifications for a pharmacy technician. This is an individual who may assist in the practice of pharmacy under the immediate supervision of a licensed pharmacist.

The bill would require annual registration with the Pharmacy Board. Individual applicants must be at least 17 years of age, completed a board approved training program for pharmacy technicians and a criminal history background check.

The board shall issue a temporary permit to an applicant who has met the requirements of the act. The temporary permit shall authorize the applicant to be employed as a pharmacy technician.

No person is required to register as a pharmacy technician until 18 months after the board has promulgated the regulations required by the act.

The act takes effect immediately.