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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would allow an appropriately
9 trained and licensed pharmacist or an appropriately
10 trained and registered pharmacy technician acting
11 under the direct supervision of a pharmacist to
12 provide therapeutic diabetic shoes and inserts.

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14 A BILL

15 TO BE ENTITLED

16 AN ACT

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18 Relating to pharmacists; to allow an appropriately
19 trained and licensed pharmacist or an appropriately trained
20 and registered pharmacy technician acting under the direct
21 supervision of a pharmacist to provide therapeutic diabetic
22 shoes and inserts.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

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25 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding the Prosthetics and
26 Orthotics Act, Sections 34-25A-1 to 34-25A-14, inclusive, an
27 appropriately trained pharmacist licensed in this state or an
appropriately trained pharmacy technician registered pursuant

1 to Section 34-23-131 of the Code of Alabama 1975, acting under
2 the direct supervision of a pharmacist may provide therapeutic
3 diabetic shoes and inserts.

4 (b) For the purposes of this act, "appropriately
5 trained" means the satisfactory completion of one of the
6 following:

7 (1) A course of study that covers fitting and
8 patient management of therapeutic diabetic shoes and inserts
9 that is approved by the National Commission of Orthotic and
10 Prosthetic Education.

11 (2) An appropriate manufacturer's training course
12 consisting of fitting of therapeutic shoes with assessment to
13 be completed to prove success.

14 (3) A course of study that covers fitting and
15 patient management of therapeutic diabetic shoes and inserts
16 that is approved by a nationally recognized orthotic and
17 prosthetic certification or accreditation organization which
18 has its certification programs recognized by the National
19 Commission for Certifying Agencies.

20 (4) A continuing education course offered by the
21 Alabama Pharmacy Association or the Alabama Board of Pharmacy.

22 (c) For the purposes of this act, "therapeutic
23 diabetic shoes and inserts" are described by any of the
24 following Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Codes:

25 (1) A5500. For diabetics only, fitting, including
26 follow-up, custom preparation, and supply of off-the-shelf

1 depth-inlay shoes manufactured to accommodate multi-density
2 inserts, per shoe.

3 (2) A5510. For diabetics only, direct formed,
4 compression molded to patient's foot without external heat
5 source, multiple-density inserts prefabricated, per shoe.

6 (3) A5512. For diabetics only, multiple density
7 insert, direct formed, molded to foot after external heat
8 source of 230 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, total contact with
9 patient's foot, including arch, base layer minimum of 1/4 inch
10 material of shore A 35 durometer or 3/16 inch material of
11 shore A 40 durometer, or higher, prefabricated, each.

12 (4) A5513. For diabetics, multiple density insert,
13 custom molded from model of patient's foot, total contact with
14 patient's foot, including arch, base layer minimum of 3/16
15 inch materials of shore A 35 durometer, or higher, includes
16 arch filler and other shaping material, custom fabricated,
17 each.

18 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
19 first day of the third month following its passage and
20 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.