

## **HOUSE BILL 683:** Prescription Drug Disposal/John's Law.

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House

Introduced by: Reps. Sasser, Turner Prepared by: Jason Moran-Bates Analysis of: First Edition Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: House Bill 683 would require pharmacies to provide information on drug disposal and have one on-site method of drug disposal.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Each time a drug was dispensed, pharmacies would be required to provide patients with written information on how to safely dispose of unused medication and the risks of not doing so properly. They would also have to make available to patients, at no cost, one method for patients to dispose of unused medications. This method could be an over-the-counter, at-home disposal method, or a secured medication kiosk or box available on-site.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This bill would be effective October 1, 2021, and apply to controlled substances dispensed by pharmacies in this State on or after that date.

