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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the confidentiality of patient information
2 held by a pharmacy and providing a penalty.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 155A.13A, subsection 3, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. *Discipline.* The board may deny, suspend, or revoke a
4 nonresident pharmacy license for any violation of this section,
5 section 155A.15, subsection 2, paragraph "a", "b", "d", "e",
6 "f", "g", "h", or "i", or "j", chapter 124, 124A, 124B, 126, or
7 205, or a rule of the board.

8 Sec. 2. Section 155A.15, subsection 2, Code 2011, is amended
9 by adding the following new paragraph:

10 NEW PARAGRAPH. *j.* Violated a provision of sections 261
11 through 264 of the federal Health Insurance Portability and
12 Accountability Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-191, or that any
13 owner or employee of the pharmacy violated such a provision.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides that the board of pharmacy may refuse to
16 issue or renew a pharmacy license, or may impose a fine, issue
17 a reprimand, or revoke, restrict, cancel, or suspend a license,
18 and may place a licensee on probation, if the board finds that
19 the applicant or licensee has violated the privacy requirements
20 of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability
21 Act.