

SB 6361 - DIGEST

Regulates the exercise of religious beliefs and conscience in the practice of pharmacy.

Declares no individual licensed pharmacist or pharmacy may be required by law or contract in any circumstances to participate in the provision of a specific service if the pharmacist or pharmacy objects to so doing for reason of conscience or religion. No person may be discriminated against in employment or professional privileges because of such objection.

Requires each pharmacist or pharmacy to adopt a written policy and procedures that address the issues of pharmacists' moral, ethical, and professional responsibilities and, if appropriate, allowing the pharmacist to exercise his or her choice to not participate, and at the same time not interfere with a patient's right to receive appropriate and lawfully prescribed or over-the-counter drug therapy or drugs and devices approved by the United States food and drug administration for restricted or over-the-counter distribution by pharmacies.