# Model Accessible Prescription Labeling Legislation

## Purpose:

To require pharmacies to provide accessible prescription labels for blind and print disabled users.

## Section 1: This act may be cited as the Accessible Prescription Labels Act.

## Section 2: Accessible prescription labels.

(1) A pharmacy shall notify each person to whom a prescription drug is dispensed that an accessible prescription label is available to the person upon request at no additional cost.

(2) If a person informs the pharmacy that the person identifies as a person who is blind, visually impaired, or otherwise print disabled the pharmacy shall provide to the person an accessible prescription label affixed to the bottle that is:

(a) Available to the person in a timely manner comparable to other patient wait time and lasting for at least the duration of the prescription; and

(b) Appropriate to the disability and preference of the person making the request through use of audible, large print, or Braille labels; and

(c) Conforms to the format specific best practices established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (established under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973); and

(d) Contains all the label information required by state statute and federal law, including cautions and warnings, and any information available to sighted individuals reading the printed label.

(3) A pharmacy shall ensure that the prescription label is compatible with the prescription reader if a reader is provided.

(4) The board of pharmacy shall promulgate regulations necessary to implement this section.

## Section 3: Definitions

(1) “Prescription reader” means a device that is designed to audibly convey the information contained on the label of a prescription drug.