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C. 45:9-22.19
&
45:9-22.20

P.L. 1997, CHAPTER 249, *approved September 9, 1997*
Assembly, No. 1482 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning the prescribing of controlled drugs and
2 supplementing chapter 9 of Title 45 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. A physician licensed pursuant to chapter 9 of Title 45 of the
8 Revised Statutes may prescribe a Schedule II controlled dangerous
9 substance for the use of a patient in any quantity which does not
10 exceed a 30-day supply¹[that the physician deems medically indicated
11 for the management or relief of intractable pain associated with a
12 terminal illness or a chronic disorder]¹, as defined by regulations
13 adopted by the State Board of Medical Examiners in consultation with
14 the Department of Health¹[, when the physician determines that no
15 cure or relief is possible, consistent with prevailing standards of
16 medical care, or when none has been found after a reasonable effort
17 to do so]¹. The physician shall document the diagnosis and the
18 medical need for the prescription in the patient's medical record, in
19 accordance with guidelines established by the State Board of Medical
20 Examiners.

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22 2. The State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to the
23 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
24 seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of
25 this act.

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27 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly AHL committee amendments adopted June 20, 1996 .

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3 Permits the prescribing of a 30-day supply of controlled dangerous
4 substances when medically indicated for pain in patients with terminal
5 illness or chronic disorders.