

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2021 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/CS/SB 768 — Administration of Vaccines

by Rules Committee; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee; and Senator Baxley

The bill expands the types of vaccines that pharmacists and pharmacy interns may administer to adults within the framework of an established protocol with a supervising physician licensed under ch. 458 or 459, F.S.

The bill authorizes pharmacists and pharmacy interns who are certified by the Board of Pharmacy (BOP) and have completed specified educational and other requirements, to administer to adults any immunization or vaccine that is:

- Listed in the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Adult Immunization Schedule, as of April 30, 2021;
- Recommended by the CDC for international travel, as of April 30, 2021; or
- Licensed for use in the United States, or authorized for emergency use, by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA), as of April 30, 2021.

The BOP may authorize additional immunizations and vaccines that may be administered to adults by certified pharmacists and pharmacy interns as they are added to the lists of approved immunizations and vaccines as denoted in the paragraph above.

Additionally, the bill authorizes pharmacists who are certified to administer vaccines and immunizations to adults to also administer influenza vaccines to children seven years of age or older.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2021.

Vote: Senate 29-11; House 112-4