

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2019**

**SESSION LAW 2019-54
HOUSE BILL 658**

AN ACT MODIFYING THE EXPIRED DRUG PROVISION OF THE DRUG, SUPPLIES,
AND MEDICAL DEVICE REPOSITORY PROGRAM TO ALLOW FOR THE
ACCEPTANCE AND DISPENSING OF DRUGS THAT HAVE NOT REACHED THEIR
EXPIRATION DATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING ACCESS FOR
INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-85.44(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Requirements of Participating Pharmacists or Free Clinics. – A pharmacist may accept and dispense drugs, supplies, and medical devices donated to the Program to eligible patients if all of the following requirements are met:

...

(3) The drug ~~bears an expiration date that is later than six months after the date that the drug was donated.~~ has not reached its expiration date.

...."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 20th day of June, 2019.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Roy Cooper
Governor

Approved 1:36 p.m. this 26th day of June, 2019

