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GENERAL NOTICE

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE

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BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:

Insertion of section 14A in Act 53 of 1974

1. The following section is hereby inserted in the Pharmacy Act, 1974 after section 14:

Community service

14A. (1) Notwithstanding section 14, a person registering for the first time as a pharmacist in terms of the Act after the commencement of section 14 of the Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1997, must perform remunerated pharmaceutical community service for a period of one year in terms of the regulations contemplated in subsection (2) and shall, on the completion of such service, be entitled to practice the profession of a pharmacist.

(2) The Minister may, after consultation with the council, make regulations concerning the performance of the service contemplated in subsection (1), including but not limited to-

- i. the place or places at which it is to be performed;
- ii. the conditions of employment.

Short title

2. This Act shall be called the Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1999 and shall come into operation on a date fixed by the President by proclamation in the *Gazette*.