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METH-FREE TENNESSEE ACT OF 2005

EXEMPT PRODUCTS LIST

On March 30, 2005, Governor Phil Bredesen signed into law the "*Meth-Free Tennessee Act of 2005.*"

This new law restricts the sale and dispensing of drug products containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, phenylpropranolamine, or their salts, isomers or salts of isomers.

According to this law, the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy, in consultation with the Bureau of Investigation, shall determine whether a drug product or category of products is exempt from the restrictions contained in the law. The law defines an exempt product as a drug product or category of products that contains any immediate methamphetamine precursor, but it is not in a form that can be used in the manufacture of methamphetamine. Additionally, the law provides that the Board of Pharmacy is to maintain a public list of such exempted products or categories of products. Any person may request that a product may be included on the exemption list.

Requests for inclusion on the list of exempt products should be addressed to:

The Tennessee Board of Pharmacy
500 James Robertson Parkway
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According to the law, the list shall include but not be limited to the following products:

- **All liquid preparations containing immediate methamphetamine precursors.**

"Immediate Methamphetamine Precursor" is defined as ephedrine, and pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropranolamine, or their salts or isomers or salts of isomers or any drug or other product that contains a detectable quantity of same.

- **Gel capsule forms of immediate methamphetamine precursors.**

Gel capsules are defined as "any soft gelatin liquid-filled capsule that contains a liquid suspension in a matrix of glycerin, polyethylene glycol, and propylene glycol along with other liquid substances." Despite product manufacturer's labeling, a gelatin-covered solid does not constitute a "gel capsule".