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*"The safety of the people
is the highest law"*

-CICERO

51 Million Prescription Mistakes Every Year

According to a report published by Auburn University College of Pharmacy dispensing errors are a nation-wide problem. The report estimates that 51.5 million prescription errors occur with the filling of 3 billion prescriptions each year. Be careful when you go to the drug store.

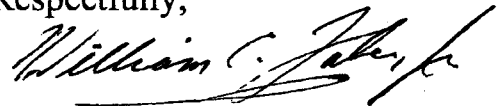
Common pharmacy errors include careless filling of prescriptions, inadequate training and supervision of pharmacists and staff, financial bonuses that create a conflict of interest between the druggist and the patient.

The pharmacy technician puts the pills into the bottle. The pharmacist is supposed to check to be sure that the pills correspond with the prescription. Standard business practice demands that pharmacists check 60 bottles per hour.

Now that drug companies advertise directly to patients on television, the public gets the impression that the drug should be prescribed for them. This puts pressure on the doctor to prescribe more.

In June, Walgreens paid \$35 million to settle claims that it defrauded Medicaid by using more expensive versions of drugs just to make more money. Illinois will get \$1 million from that settlement. I hope this information helps.

Respectfully,



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P.S.

I include a short article about
our recent successful jury verdict.