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Sommario/riassunto	Preface While many excellent textbooks deal with pharmacy laws, regulations, and ethics, virtually all of those currently marketed are aimed at the university-level pharmacy student. During my years as a faculty member and as a department chair, the lack of textbooks intended for pharmacy technicians became more and more noticeable,

especially after visiting with pharmacy technician faculty and our colleagues at Pharmacy Technician Educator's Council (PTEC) meetings. The standard practice has been to incorporate law and ethics material into other classes, using parts of these university-level textbooks and articles and adding extra lecture time and materials. Very few programs have a stand-alone law and ethics course or even a segment of such a course, which can perhaps be explained by the fact that so few texts have been aimed at this need. Instructors have been forced to make do with materials and resources meant for an entirely different group of students--
