HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
2018 Regular Session
Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 627 by Representative Lyons

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 40:1046(A)(2)(a)" and insert in lieu thereof "R.S. 40:1046(A)(2)"

2 AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 9, delete "R.S. 40:1046(A)(2)(a)" and insert in lieu thereof "R.S. 40:1046(A)(2)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"(b) No physician shall recommend medical marijuana for treatment of any condition associated with autism spectrum disorder for a patient who is under the age of eighteen unless the physician is a pediatric subspecialist licensed by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners and credentialed by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy.

(c) If the United States Food and Drug Administration approves the use of medical marijuana in the same form provided for in this Part for any debilitating medical condition specifically identified in this Paragraph, that medical condition shall no longer be covered by the provisions of this Part.

(d) If the United States Food and Drug Administration approves the use of medical marijuana in a form or derivative different than provided for in this Part for any debilitating medical condition specifically identified in this Paragraph, the disease state shall remain covered by the provisions of this Part. The patient shall first be treated by the approved form or derivative of medical marijuana through utilization of step therapy or fail first protocols. If, after use of the United States Food and Drug Administration approved form or derivative of medical marijuana, the physician determines that the preferred treatment required under step therapy or fail first protocol has been ineffective in the treatment of the patient's debilitating medical condition, he may recommend the form of medical marijuana provided for in this Part for use by the patient as medically necessary."

4 AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 4, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

"(b) No physician shall recommend medical marijuana for treatment of any condition associated with autism spectrum disorder for a patient who is under the age of eighteen unless the physician is a pediatric subspecialist licensed by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners and credentialed by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy."

5 AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 4, at the beginning of line 11, change "(b)" to "(c)"

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.
AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, at the beginning of line 16, change "(c)" to "(d)"