

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 306

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

MEDICAID: Provides relative to pharmacy reimbursement by managed care organizations

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:460.36(D), relative to Medicaid managed care pharmacy
3 reimbursements; to provide for the base of reimbursement for prescription drugs; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 46:460.36(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §460.36. Pharmacy reimbursement by managed care organizations

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9 D. After ~~June 15, 2016~~, July 1, 2017, no managed care organization shall pay
10 a local pharmacy a per-prescription reimbursement at a rate less than the legacy
11 Medicaid rate, ~~unless its contract with the department provides for a reimbursement~~
12 ~~dispute process as described in Subsection C of this Section.~~

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14 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
15 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
16 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
17 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
18 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the base of reimbursement by managed care organizations for prescription drugs to be at least equal to the legacy Medicaid rate.

Present law prohibits a managed care organization from paying a local pharmacy a per-prescription reimbursement at a rate less than the legacy Medicaid rate unless its contract with the La. Dept. of Health provides for a reimbursement dispute process.

Proposed law removes the requirement for a reimbursement dispute process.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 46:460.36(D))