

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 301 (HB 306)

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Prior law prohibited a managed care organization (MCO) 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 (LDH) provided for a reimbursement dispute process.

New law prohibits an MCO from paying a local pharmacy a per-prescription reimbursement at a rate less than the legacy Medicaid rate by repealing the option to include a reimbursement dispute process to allow a reimbursement rate less than the legacy Medicaid rate.

Prior law authorized an MCO to negotiate the ingredient cost reimbursement in its contracts with providers.

New law repeals prior law.

Prior law required any contract between LDH and an MCO that included provisions for pharmacy reimbursement to provide for a reimbursement dispute process for local pharmacies.

New law repeals prior law.

Prior law required the full cost of implementing and performing the provisions of prior law to be the responsibility of LDH through a reallocation of existing budget resources and not through additional appropriations.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective October 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 46:460.36(D); Repeals R.S. 46:460.36(B), (C), and (E))