

Regular Session, 2009

SENATE BILL NO. 247

BY SENATOR CHEEK

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

NURSING HOMES. Directs the Department of Health and Hospitals to establish a case mix reimbursement methodology for nursing homes which requires rate rebasing biannually. (8/15/09)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2742(B)(7) and to enact R.S. 46:2742(B)(11), relative to case
3 mix reimbursement for nursing homes; to provide for a case mix reimbursement; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 46:2742(B)(7) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
7 46:2742(B)(11) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §2742. Case mix reimbursement

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10 B. No later than October 1, 2006, the department shall promulgate rules and
11 regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to provide for a
12 case mix reimbursement system. The rules and regulations shall include, at a
13 minimum, the following:

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15 (7) Utilization of the most current cost reports which shall be either audited
16 or given an estimated audit adjustment factor based on historical audits for rate
17 rebasing, **at a minimum**, biannually.

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2 **(11) Rebasing of rates shall occur, at a minimum, biannually.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Greg Waddell.

DIGEST

Present law provides that no later than October 1, 2006, DHH shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the APA to provide for a case mix reimbursement system.

Present law provides that rules and regulations shall include provisions for the utilization of the most current cost reports which shall be either audited or given an estimated audit adjustment factor based on historical audits for rate rebasing biannually.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the requirement that rebasing of the rates shall occur, at a minimum, biannually.

(Amends R.S. 46:2742(B)(7); adds R.S. 46:2742(B)(11))