

ACT No. 33

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 370

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFONTA

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1124(A)(introductory paragraph) and 1138(D), to enact R.S.
3 22:821(B)(28), and to repeal R.S. 22:1125, relative to fees collected by the
4 commissioner of insurance; to provide relative to fees collected for Medical
5 Necessity Review Organization licenses; to provide for a fee for filing of annual
6 reports of Medical Necessity Review Organizations; to delete the requirement that
7 Medical Necessity Review Organization licenses are subject to biannual renewal and
8 associated fees; and to provide for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 22:1124(A)(introductory paragraph) and 1138(D) are hereby
11 amended and reenacted and R.S. 22:821(B)(28) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §821. Fees

13 The following fees and licenses shall be collected in advance:

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15 B. By the commissioner of insurance:

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17 (28) Medical Necessity Review Organization other than a health insurance
18 issuer

19 (a) Licensing fee \$ 1,500.00

20 (b) Annual report filing fee \$ 500.00

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22 §1124. Procedure for application to act as an MNRO

23 A. Any applicant for licensure other than a health insurance issuer shall
24 submit an application to the commissioner and pay the initial licensure fee specified
25 in ~~R.S. 22:1125(D)~~; R.S. 22:821. The application shall be on a form and

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1 accompanied by any supporting documentation required by the commissioner and
2 shall be signed and verified by the applicant. The information required by the
3 application shall include but need not be limited to the following:

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5 §1138. External review register

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7 D.(1) The MNRO shall submit to the commissioner, at least annually, a report
8 in the format specified by the commissioner. The report shall include the following
9 for each health insurance issuer and health benefit plan:

10 ~~(1)~~ (a) The total number of requests for external review.

11 ~~(2)~~ (b) The number of requests for external review resolved and their
12 resolution.

13 ~~(3)~~ (c) A synopsis of actions being taken to correct problems identified.

14 (2) At the time of filing its annual report, an MNRO other than a health
15 insurance issuer shall pay a filing fee in the amount set forth in R.S. 22:821.

16 Section 2. R.S. 22:1125 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____