
DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Health and Hospitals and the La. State University (LSU) Board of Supervisors to study the existing structure and delivery of care within the LSU hospital system managed by the LSU Health Sciences Centers at New Orleans and Shreveport to determine whether the hospital infrastructure, including the planned academic medical center in New Orleans, meets the current needs of our state population and the projected needs of our state once federal health reform is implemented; to study the monetary feasibility of sustaining La.'s public hospital system once federal health reform is implemented and to recommend the most cost-effective and efficient system of health care delivery in the future; to study the system of medical education in La., taking into consideration the geographic locations of the medical schools; to determine whether the current and planned infrastructure is the most efficient and cost-effective method to train an adequate number of physicians to practice statewide; to study the feasibility of establishing a medical school at the Pennington Biomedical Research Center; and to report these findings to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare no later than Dec. 15, 2011.