

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 922

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENSGENS

NURSING HOMES: Revises provider fees assessed on nursing homes by the Department of Health and Hospitals

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2625(A)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (a) and to repeal R.S.
3 46:2625(B), relative to fees on healthcare providers; to revise the fee amount for
4 nursing homes; to repeal a prohibition on new fees or increased fees on nursing
5 homes without a majority vote of approval by the legislature; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 46:2625(A)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (a) are hereby amended
9 and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §2625. Fees on ~~health-care~~ healthcare providers; disposition of fees

11 A.(1) The Department of Health and Hospitals is hereby authorized to adopt
12 and impose fees for ~~health-care~~ healthcare services provided by the Medicaid
13 program on every nursing facility, every intermediate care facility for people with
14 developmental disabilities, every pharmacy in the state of Louisiana and certain out-
15 of-state pharmacies, dispensing physicians, and medical transportation providers.
16 The amount of any fee shall not exceed the total cost to the state of providing the
17 ~~health-care~~ healthcare service subject to such fee. In addition, the amount of the fees
18 imposed under the rules and regulations adopted shall not exceed the following:

19 (a) ~~Ten dollars per occupied bed per day for nursing facilities.~~

1 For nursing facilities, the percentage of net patient service revenues permitted
2 by federal regulation pursuant to 42 CFR 433.68 as determined by the department
3 on a per occupied bed per day basis.

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5 Section 2. R.S. 46:2625(B) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the maximum provider fee amount for nursing homes.

Present law establishes fees to be imposed on certain healthcare service providers. Present law further sets the maximum fee for nursing facilities at \$10.00 per occupied bed per day.

Proposed law changes the maximum fee amount to the percentage of net patient service revenues permitted by federal regulations as determined by the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) on a per occupied bed per day basis.

Present law prohibits DHH from imposing any new fee or increasing any fee on any nursing home without prior approval of the specific fee amount by record vote of a majority of the elected members of each house of the legislature while in session.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Amends R.S. 46:2625(A)(1)(intro. para.) and (a); Repeals R.S. 46:2625(B))