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Abstract: Transfers management of the state's leasing of the John J. Hainkel, Jr., Home and Rehabilitation Center from the La. Dept. of Health to the LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the secretary of the La. Department of Health (LDH) and the commissioner of administration to execute a negotiated lease to the New Orleans Home for Incurables for the John J. Hainkel, Jr., Home and Rehabilitation Center.

<u>Proposed law</u> revises present law to provide that chancellor of the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans shall negotiate the lease for the John J. Hainkel, Jr., Home and Rehabilitation Center, and that the lease shall be with LCMC Health.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals present law providing all of the following:

- (1) That the Medicaid rate shall be set at the rate as of March 19, 2010, and shall be set at such rate for at least one year from the effective date of any lease and for any period after one year from the effective date of any lease the Medicaid rate shall be set at the rate which would be paid under the nursing home reimbursement methodology, subject to approval by the federal Medicaid agency.
- (2) That the New Orleans Home for the Incurables shall offer those employees who are employed by the John J. Hainkel, Jr., Home and Rehabilitation Center at the commencement of the lease first priority for employment.

(Amends R.S. 40:16.3(A), (B), (C)(intro. para.) and (4), and (D); Repeals R.S. 40:16.3(C)(5) and (7))