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Abstract: Provides for treatment programs for pregnant women who have a cocaine use disorder.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the licensure of behavioral health service providers by the La. Dept. of Health (LDH).

<u>Proposed law retains present law</u> and adds specific licensure requirements for substance use disorder facilities that treat pregnant women.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires substance use disorder facilities that treat pregnant women to provide behavioral interventions for those women who have a cocaine use disorder.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines onsite behavioral intervention.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the substance use disorder facility shall not be in violation of <u>proposed law</u> if the pregnant woman's health insurance does not cover the cost of the treatment.

<u>Proposed law</u> provide that substance use disorder facilities shall assess their compliance with <u>proposed law</u> or progress towards compliance in their initial license application or upon license renewal.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits enforcement by the LDH until Jan. 1, 2021. Further provides that the LDH shall submit a report to the House and Senate health and welfare committees on the number of pregnant women receiving behavioral intervention for cocaine use disorder and the number of provider licensed to provide that treatment prior to and after implementation of proposed law.

Effective Jan. 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 40:2156(B)(4); Adds R.S. 40:2159.2)