2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 314

BY REPRESENTATIVES TURNER AND BAGLEY

LEGISLATION: Makes technical corrections to various provisions of law within and relating to the subject matter of the legislative committees on health and welfare

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 28:2(introductory paragraph) and (28), 51.1(A)(3)(b) and (d),
3	70(A), and 915(F)(3), R.S. 37:752(3), (6), (7), and (9)(c) and (d)(ii), 753(A) and (I),
4	761(A)(2) and (4), 764(A)(4) and (5), 771.1(A) and (B)(1), 786.1(A)(introductory
5	paragraph) and (1), 792(B) and (C)(1), 793(G)(2), 796(A), (B)(7), (D), and (F),
6	796.1(A), 966, 971, 976, 1007(A)(2)(c), 1176(A)(3), 1218(3), 1218.1(A),
7	1285(A)(25), 1360.24(A)(introductory paragraph) and (3) and (B), 1360.26,
8	1360.31(C)(4) and (D), 1360.37(C), 1515(A)(1), 3003(introductory paragraph) and
9	(4)(a), and 3071(B)(1) and (2), R.S. 39:98.3(B)(2) and (3), 98.4(B)(3)(a) and (b),
10	1536(A)(2), 1543(D), and 1658, R.S. 40:4(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(a) and
11	(b)(ii) and (iii), 5(A)(19) and (21)(a), 5.5(B), (C)(introductory paragraph) and (1)
12	through (3), and (E), 5.5.2(D), 5.8(introductory paragraph) and (6)(introductory
13	paragraph) and (a), 31.13(1), 39.1(A)(introductory paragraph), 75(A), 654(Section
14	heading), 961(introductory paragraph), (23), and (27)(b)(i), 966(A)(3), the heading
15	of Part X-B of Chapter 4 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S.
16	40:1024(B), 1046(Section heading), 1047(A)(introductory paragraph) and (4),
17	1061.17(B)(3)(a)(iii), 1122.1(B)(2), 1123.3(B)(2), 1133.15, 1139.6(introductory
18	paragraph) and (8), 1168.3(Section heading), 1203.1(4)(a), (e), (f), (h), (n), and (z),
19	1203.3(D)(2), 1223.3, 2017.10, 2018.3(B)(1)(h), 2018.6(B)(introductory paragraph),
20	(3)(b) and (i), and (C)(2)(a) and (3)(i), 2166.5(B)(12)(e)(introductory paragraph) and

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1	(ii), and 2180.25(B)(2)(m)(v) and (q), R.S. 46:236.1.2(A)(introductory paragraph),
2	450.3(introductory paragraph) and (C)(2), 450.5(A) through (C) and
3	(D)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (3), 450.6(A) and (B)(1), 1933(B),
4	1952(introductory paragraph), 2169.1(7), 2626(H)(1)(d), 2741(A), 2742(C), and
5	2757(C)(1)(e), and Children's Code Article 1150(2)(b) and to repeal R.S. 40:5.5(F)
6	and (G) and 1249.1(A) and (B) and Section 4 of Act No. 449 of the 2006 Regular
7	Session, relative to various provisions of Titles 28, 37, 39, 40, and 46 of the
8	Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the Louisiana Children's Code, and uncodified
9	law; to make technical corrections in provisions relative to behavioral health, human
10	services, administration of the Louisiana Department of Health, administration of the
11	Department of Children and Family Services, healthcare institutions and services,
12	professions and occupations, boards and commissions, public health, food and drugs,
13	public welfare and assistance, child welfare, and other matters within or relating to
14	the purview of the legislative committees on health and welfare; to make corrective
15	changes including corrections in legal citations and in names of organizations,
16	programs, publications, institutions, agencies, boards, commissions, departments,
17	and offices and officers of departments; to remove references to agencies, other legal
18	entities, and programs that have been repealed or no longer exist; to repeal obsolete
19	findings and references to outdated information; to designate undesignated statutory
20	provisions; and to provide for related matters.
21	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
22	Section 1. R.S. 28:2(introductory paragraph) and (28), 51.1(A)(3)(b) and (d), 70(A),
23	and $915(F)(3)$ are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
24	§2. Definitions
25	Whenever used in this Title, the masculine shall include the feminine, the
26	singular shall include the plural, and the following definitions shall apply:
27	* * *
28	(28) "Psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner" means an advanced
29	practice registered nurse licensed to practice as a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse

1	specialist by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, in accordance with the provisions
2	of R.S. 37:911 et seq., who focuses clinical practice on individuals, families, or
3	populations across the life span at risk for developing or having a diagnosis of
4	psychiatric disorders, mental health problems, or both. A psychiatric mental health
5	nurse practitioner means a specialist who provides primary mental health care to
6	patients seeking mental health services in a wide range of settings. Primary mental
7	health care provided by a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner involves the
8	continuous and comprehensive services necessary for the promotion of optimal
9	mental health, prevention and treatment of psychiatric disorders, and health
10	maintenance. Such primary health care includes the assessment, diagnosis, and
11	management of mental health problems and psychiatric disorders. A psychiatric
12	mental health nurse practitioner means a provider of direct mental health care
13	services who synthesizes theoretical, scientific, and clinical knowledge for the
14	assessment and management of both health and illness states and who is licensed to
15	practice as a nurse practitioner in Louisiana, in accordance with R.S. 37:911, et seq.
16	For purposes of this Chapter, a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner shall have
17	at least two years of training, primary experience, or both, in diagnosis and treatment
18	of mental illness. For purposes of this Chapter, a psychiatric mental health nurse
19	practitioner shall also have authority from the Louisiana State Board of Nursing to
20	prescribe legend and certain controlled drugs, in accordance with the provisions of
21	R.S. 37:913(3)(b), (8), and (9).
22	* * *
23	§51.1. Treatment facility; staff membership and institutional privileges; certain
24	healthcare providers
25	А.
26	* * *
27	(3) Staff membership, specifically delineated institutional privileges, which
28	may include the ability to prepare and execute orders for the admission of patients

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1	to a treatment facility, or both, granted to a psychiatric mental health nurse
2	practitioner shall be conditioned upon all of the following requirements:
3	* * *
4	(b) The applicant psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner shall have a
5	valid, current, and unrestricted advanced practice registered nurse license, as a nurse
6	practitioner or clinical nurse specialist, issued by the Louisiana State Board of
7	Nursing, and have been granted limited prescriptive authority pursuant to LAC
8	46:XLV.4513 LAC 46:XLVII.4513.
9	* * *
10	(d) The applicant psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner shall prescribe
11	medications or the use of seclusion or restraint on patients in the treatment facility
12	only in accordance with the collaborative practice agreement and in accordance with
13	the treatment facility's staff membership or privilege granting privilege-granting
14	process and restrictions, if any.
15	* * *
16	§70. Written treatment plan for involuntary outpatient treatment
17	A. The court shall not order involuntary outpatient treatment unless an
18	examining physician, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner, or psychologist
19	develops and provides to the court a proposed written treatment plan. The
20	respondent, and any other individual whom the respondent may designate, shall be
21	afforded a reasonable opportunity to participate in the development of the written
22	treatment plan. The treatment plan shall reflect the expressed preferences of the
23	respondent to the extent the preferences are reasonable and consistent with the
24	respondent's best interests. The written treatment plan shall be deemed appropriate
25	by the director. The written treatment plan shall include appropriate services to
26	provide care coordination. The written treatment plan shall also include appropriate
27	categories of services, as set forth in Subsection D of this Section, which the
28	respondent is recommended to receive and are available to the respondent. The
29	written treatment plan shall specify a provider that has agreed to provide each of the

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1	specified services. If the written treatment plan includes medication, it shall state
2	whether the medication should be self-administered or administered by authorized
3	personnel, and shall specify the type and dosage range of medication most likely to
4	provide maximum benefit for the respondent.
5	* * *
6	§915. Districts and authorities; functions, powers, and duties; sole-source
7	contracting
8	* * *
9	F. The provisions of Subsections A and B of this Section shall not include
10	the following:
11	* * *
12	(3) Operation, management, and performance of functions and services
13	relating to the Louisiana Vital Records Registry vital records registry and the
14	collection of vital statistics within the office of public health pursuant to R.S. 40:5,
15	R.S. 40:32 through 79, R.S. 44:401 et seq., and R.S. 40: 1061.17, including the
16	Putative Father Registry putative father registry and the vital records management
17	information system.
18	* * *
19	Section 2. R.S. 37:752(3), (6), (7), and (9)(c) and (d)(ii), 753(A) and (I), 761(A)(2)
20	and (4), 764(A)(4) and (5), 771.1(A) and (B)(1), 786.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1),
21	792(B) and (C)(1), 793(G)(2), 796(A), (B)(7), (D), and (F), 796.1(A), 966, 971, 976,
22	1007(A)(2)(c), 1176(A)(3), 1218(3), 1218.1(A), 1285(A)(25), 1360.24(A)(introductory
23	paragraph) and (3) and (B), 1360.26, 1360.31(C)(4) and (D), 1360.37(C), 1515(A)(1),
24	3003(introductory paragraph) and (4)(a), and 3071(B)(1) and (2) are hereby amended and
25	reenacted to read as follows:
26	§752. Exemptions from license
27	The licensing provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to:
28	* * *
29	(3)(a) Dental schools or colleges approved by the Louisiana State Board of
30	Dentistry board; the practice of dentistry by students in dental schools or colleges
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approved by the board when acting under the direction and supervision of registered
 dentists, licensed and acting as instructors or professors; interns in any hospital or
 institution, but not residents.

4 (b) Dental hygiene schools or colleges approved by the Louisiana State 5 Board of Dentistry board; the practice of dental hygiene by students in dental or 6 dental hygiene schools or colleges approved by the board when acting under the 7 direction and supervision of registered dentists or dental hygienists, licensed and 8 acting as instructors or professors; interns in any hospital or institution, but not 9 residents.

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(6) The making of artificial restorations, substitutes, appliances, or materials
for the correction of diseases, loss, deformity, malposition, dislocation, fracture,
injury of the jaws, teeth, lips, gums, cheeks, palate, or associated tissues or parts,
upon written work orders or prescriptions furnished by a licensed and registered
dentist on a form approved by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board as
hereinafter set forth, and the use in connection with said work order or prescription
of casts, models or from impressions furnished by a licensed or registered dentist.

18 (7) The making and repairing of prosthetic dentures, bridges, artificial 19 restorations or other structures to be used or worn as substitutes for natural teeth, or 20 appliances for the correction of disease, loss, deformity, malposition, dislocation, 21 fracture of or injury to the jaws, teeth, lips, gums, cheeks, palate, or associated 22 tissues or parts upon a written work order or prescription furnished by a licensed and 23 registered dentist on a form approved by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry 24 board as hereinafter set forth and constructed on, or by use of, casts or models made 25 from impressions taken by a licensed and registered dentist if these prosthetic or 26 orthodontic appliances, or the services rendered in the construction, repair, or 27 alteration thereof are not offered for sale, or use, or delivery to the public or placed

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1	or adjusted in the oral cavity, except by licensed and registered dentists.
2	* * *
3	(9)
4	* * *
5	(c) When used in this Section, the following terms shall have the following
6	meanings ascribed to them in this Subparagraph:
7	(i) "Clinical" means those activities described in R.S. 37:751(A)(5) R.S.
8	<u>37:751(A)(6)</u> .
9	(ii) "Dentist with a disability" means a dentist who is a "person with a
10	disability" as defined in R.S. 9:3541.21(3) R.S. 9:3541.21.
11	(iii) "Personal representative" has the same meaning as provided in R.S.
12	9:2260.1(11) <u>R.S. 9:2260.1</u> .
13	(d) The twenty-four-month period provided for in this Section begins when:
14	* * *
15	(ii) The spouse or personal representative of the dentist with a disability files
16	with the board a verified copy of disability status signed by a physician attesting to
17	the dentist's disability with the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry.
18	* * *
19	§753. Louisiana State Board of Dentistry; appointment of members; term of office;
20	vacancies; nominating meetings; quorum; domicile
21	A. There is <u>hereby</u> created within the Louisiana Department of Health the
22	Louisiana State Board of Dentistry, referred to hereafter in this Chapter as the
23	"board", which shall carry out the purposes and enforce the provisions of this
24	Chapter, subject to the provisions of R.S. 36:803.
25	* * *
26	I. The domicile of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board shall be the
27	parish of East Baton Rouge.
28	* * *

1	§761. Requirements of applicants for dental license
2	A. The board shall require that every applicant for a dental license shall:
3	* * *
4	(2) Present satisfactory evidence of graduation from a dental college or
5	university approved by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board, according to
6	its rules and regulations.
7	* * *
8	(4) Present satisfactory evidence of having taken an examination in the
9	theory and practice of the science of the profession given by the Joint Commission
10	on National Dental Examinations before being accepted for the regular examination
11	given by the board, or pass an examination given by the board in the theory and
12	practice of the science of dentistry in addition to the regular examination given by
13	the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board. Upon receipt of information that the
14	applicant has passed the examination in the theory and practice of the science of the
15	profession given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, he may
16	be awarded a dental license, but only when all other requirements for licensure have
17	been met. If the applicant fails the examination given by the Joint Commission on
18	National Dental Examinations, he must shall successfully retake the Louisiana
19	clinical licensing examination after providing satisfactory evidence of subsequently
20	passing the examination given by the Joint Commission on National Dental
21	Examinations.
22	* * *
23	§764. Dental hygienist; application for license
24	A. Every applicant to be licensed as a dental hygienist shall:
25	* * *
26	(4) Present satisfactory evidence of graduation from a training school of
27	dental hygienists approved by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board,
28	according to its rules and regulations.

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1	(5) Present satisfactory evidence of having taken an examination in the
2	theory and practice of the science of the profession given by the Joint Commission
3	on National Dental Examinations before being accepted for the regular examination
4	given by the board or pass an examination given by the board in the theory and
5	practice of the science of dental hygiene in addition to the regular examination given
6	by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board. Upon receipt of information that
7	the applicant has passed the examination in the theory and practice of the science of
8	the profession given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, he
9	may be awarded a dental hygiene license, but only when all other requirements for
10	licensure have been met. If the applicant fails the examination given by the Joint
11	Commission on National Dental Examinations, he must shall successfully retake the
12	Louisiana clinical licensing examination after providing satisfactory evidence of
13	subsequently passing the examination given by the Joint Commission on National
14	Dental Examinations.
15	* * *
16	§771.1. Dentist fees; discount to an uninsured individual; effect on a dentist's
17	contracted reimbursement amount
18	A. Notwithstanding any state or federal provisions to the contrary, a
19	contracted dentist licensed to practice dentistry by the Louisiana State Board of
20	Dentistry board may offer a discount for dental care services rendered to an
21	uninsured individual. Any such discount granted by a contracted dentist to an
22	uninsured individual shall not reduce the contracted reimbursement amount between
23	a dentist and a health or dental insurance issuer for dental care services rendered to
24	the issuer's enrollees, insureds, and subscribers.
25	B. For the purposes of this Section:
26	(1) "Contracted dentist" means a dentist licensed to practice dentistry by the
27	Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board who has executed a direct, specific contract
28	with a health insurance issuer.
29	* * *

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1	§786.1. Stay of board decision
2	A. Absent agreement of counsel for all parties, no stay of enforcement of a
3	decision issued under R.S. 37:780, or for a violation of R.S. 37:788, during the
4	pendency of an appeal under R.S. 37:786 shall be granted unless the civil district
5	court for the parish of Orleans finds that the applicant has established:
6	(1) That the issuance of the stay does not threaten harm to other interested
7	parties, including the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board, and persons for
8	whom the applicant may render dental or dental hygiene services.
9	* * *
10	§792. Dental x-ray functions by dental assistants; qualifications
11	* * *
12	B. Any dental assistant who does not meet the employment criteria set forth
13	in R.S. 37:792(A) Subsection A of this Section shall attend and successfully
14	complete a course in x-ray function and safety approved by the Louisiana State
15	Board of Dentistry board within six months after commencement of employment by
16	a licensed dentist. Any such assistant shall be deemed to be authorized to take dental
17	x-rays only upon compliance with this Subsection.
18	C.(1) The dentist employer shall certify to the board that any dental assistant
19	employed by him either:
20	(a) Meets meets the employment criteria set forth in R.S. 37:792(A)
21	Subsection A of this Section, or that the assistant has attended and completed a
22	course in dental x-ray function and safety, or
23	(b) That the assistant has not attended such course but has been employed
24	less than six months.
25	* * *
26	§793. Nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia; enteral moderate sedation; parenteral
27	sedation; deep sedation; general anesthesia; definitions; permits; credentials;
28	reporting; fees; limitations; exceptions
29	* * *

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1	G. The authority for the administration of anesthetic and sedative agents as
2	described in this Section shall be limited as follows:
3	* * *
4	(2) The administration of nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia shall be limited
5	to qualified dentists and dental hygienists licensed by the board for use on dental
6	patients. Dental hygienists shall administer nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia only
7	under the direct supervision of a dentist licensed by the Louisiana State Board of
8	Dentistry board to whom the board has issued a permit to administer nitrous oxide
9	inhalation analgesia.
10	* * *
11	§796. Louisiana State Board of Dentistry; adoption of rules relating to the providing
12	of dental services at mobile dental clinics and locations other than the dental
13	office
14	A. The Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board shall adopt rules relating
15	to the providing of dental services at mobile dental clinics and locations other than
16	the dental office.
17	B. The rules shall include but not be limited to:
18	* * *
19	(7) Provisions for the inspection by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry
20	board of mobile dental clinics and locations offering dental services other than the
21	dental office and health care facilities licensed by the Louisiana Department of
22	Health.
23	* * *
24	D. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit the Louisiana State
25	Board of Dentistry board from adopting emergency rules as otherwise provided for
26	in the Administrative Procedure Act.
27	* * *
28	F. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the failure to
29	adopt rules as provided by the provisions of Subsection B of this Section by January

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1	1, 2011, shall be grounds for the immediate removal of the members of the Louisiana
2	State Board of Dentistry board.
3	§796.1. Requirements to provide dental services at mobile dental clinics and
4	locations other than the dental office; permit; hold harmless
5	A. Upon promulgation of rules pursuant to this Section and R.S. 37:796, a
6	person offering dental services at a mobile dental clinic or a location other than the
7	dental office shall:
8	(1) Be a dentist licensed in Louisiana who is in good standing with the
9	Louisiana State Board of Dentistry board.
10	(2) Have received a permit from Louisiana State Board of Dentistry the
11	board to provide dental services at a mobile dental clinic or a location other than the
12	dental office. The permit shall be issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section
13	and in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.
14	* * *
15	§966. Meetings; quorum
16	\underline{A} . The board shall meet annually at a time and place to be fixed by it, and
17	at such other times as may be necessary.
18	\underline{B} . A majority of the board constitutes a quorum.
19	* * *
20	§971. Examination; licensing
21	\underline{A} . Applicants for licenses under this Part shall pass a written examination
22	in all subjects required by the board. The written examination may be supplemented
23	by an oral or practical examination.
24	<u>B.</u> If the applicant passes the examination provided for in Subsection A of
25	this Section, the board shall issue a license to practice as a practical nurse and
26	authorize the use of the title "Licensed Practical Nurse" or the abbreviation "L.P.N."
27	* * *

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1	§976. Schools of practical nursing; application; hearings
2	<u>A.</u> A school of practical nursing which wishes to be accredited may make
3	application to the board. After investigation and approval of the curricula of the
4	school the board may approve the school and issue a certificate as an accredited
5	school of practical nursing.
6	\underline{B} . If the board finds that an accredited school is not adhering to the
7	requirements of this Part or to the courses prescribed by the board, the board shall
8	give reasonable notices to correct these conditions within a reasonable time. If the
9	conditions are not corrected, the board may, after a hearing with charges detailed and
10	specified, revoke the certificate issued to such school.
11	\underline{C} . Appeals from decisions of the board shall be to the Civil District Court
12	of Orleans Parish within 30 thirty days from the final ruling.
13	* * *
14	§1007. Nursing Supply and Demand Council; creation; membership; vacancies;
15	compensation; staff and facilities; powers and duties
16	А.
17	* * *
18	(2)
19	* * *
20	(c) Additional members of the council may be added at any time upon a
21	majority vote of the members named in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph.
22	* * *
23	§1176. Removal
24	A. A board member may be removed upon one or more of the following
25	grounds:
26	* * *
27	(3) The violation of the laws governing the practice of pharmacy or the
28	distribution of drugs and/or or devices.
29	* * *

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1	§1218. Administration of influenza immunization
2	A pharmacist may administer an influenza immunization to any person seven
3	years of age or older without a prescription or medical order contingent upon all of
4	the following provisions:
5	* * *
6	(3) The pharmacist shall report all adverse events he observes or which are
7	reported to him to the Vaccine Adverse Events Event Reporting System (VAERS),
8	the cooperative program of the CDC and the United States Food and Drug
9	Administration for vaccine safety, or its successor program; and further, the
10	pharmacist shall refer the patient with an adverse event to the influenza
11	immunization for appropriate medical care.
12	* * *
13	§1218.1. Administration of immunizations and vaccines other than influenza
14	immunizations
15	A.(1) A pharmacist may administer to an individual age seventeen or older
16	an immunization or a vaccine without a patient-specific prescription or medical order
17	if the immunization or the vaccine is administered in conformance with the most
18	current immunization administration protocol as set forth by the United States
19	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization
20	Practice. At the time that a pharmacist administers an immunization or vaccine
21	under in accordance with the provisions of this Section, the pharmacist shall also
22	inform the individual that the administration of an immunization or vaccine under
23	in accordance with the provisions of this Section is not to be construed as being in
24	lieu of an annual checkup with the individual's primary care or family physician.
25	(1) (2) The pharmacist shall report each immunization to the Louisiana
26	Department of Health, office of public health's Louisiana Immunization Network for
27	Kids Statewide at the time of the immunization or as soon as reasonably practicable
28	thereafter, as this is the official state vaccination record.

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1	(2) (3) The pharmacist shall report all adverse events he observes or which
2	are reported to him to the Vaccine Adverse Events Event Reporting System, the
3	cooperative program of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
4	and the United States Food and Drug Administration for vaccine safety, or its
5	successor program; and further, the pharmacist shall refer the patient with an adverse
6	event to an immunization for appropriate medical care.
7	(3) (4) The pharmacist shall maintain for at least two years a record of each
8	immunization administered.
9	(4) (5) The pharmacist shall obtain the appropriate credentials to administer
10	immunizations from the board, as administratively defined, prior to administering
11	any such immunization.
12	(5) (6) The pharmacist shall request the name of a patient's primary care
13	provider prior to the administering of any immunization. If the patient identifies such
14	primary care provider to the pharmacist, the pharmacist shall notify the primary care
15	provider, by written or electronic communication, as soon as reasonably possible
16	thereafter that the immunization was administered.
17	* * *
18	§1285. Causes for nonissuance; suspension; revocation; or the imposition of
19	restrictions; fines; reinstatement; publication of action; stays
20	A. The board may refuse to issue, or may suspend or revoke any license or
21	permit, or impose probationary or other restrictions on any license or permit issued
22	pursuant to this Part for the following causes:
23	* * *
24	(25) Inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill or safety to patients
25	because of mental illness or deficiency; physical illness, including but not limited to
26	deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills; and/or, or excessive
27	use or abuse of drugs, including alcohol.
28	* * *

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1	§1360.24. Licensure
2	A. Except as otherwise provided for in this Part, an individual shall be
3	licensed by the board before the individual he may practice as a physician assistant.
4	The board may grant a license to a physician assistant applicant who:
5	* * *
6	(3) Has successfully completed an education program for physician
7	assistants accredited by the Committee on Allied Health Education and
8	Accreditation, its predecessors, or its successors and who has passed the physician
9	assistant national certifying examination administered by the National Commission
10	on Certification of Physicians' Physician Assistants.
11	* * *
12	B. A personal interview of a physician assistant applicant shall be required
13	only in those cases where the assistant applicant is making his first application before
14	the board and where discrepancies exist in the application or the applicant has been
15	subject to prior adverse licensure, certification, or registration action.
16	* * *
17	§1360.26. Inactive license
18	Any physician assistant who notifies the board in writing on forms prescribed
19	by the board may elect to place his licensure on an inactive status. A physician
20	assistant with an inactive status license shall be excused from payment of renewal
21	fees and shall not practice as a physician assistant. Any licensee who engages in
22	practice while his or her license is lapsed or on inactive status shall be considered to
23	be practicing without a license, which shall be grounds for discipline under pursuant
24	to R.S. 37:1360.34. A physician assistant requesting restoration to active status from
25	inactive status shall be required to pay the current renewal fees and shall be required
26	to meet the criteria for renewal as provided for in R.S. 37:1360.27.
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1	§1360.31. Services performed by physician assistants
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5	(4) A physician assistant may provide medication-assisted treatment (MAT),
6	as authorized by the United States Department of Health and Human Services,
7	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and in accordance with
8	rules promulgated by the board. At a minimum, rules promulgated by the board shall
9	include a requirement that in order for the PA physician assistant to provide MAT,
10	his supervising physician shall also be authorized and in compliance with all federal
11	and state laws and rules authorizing the provision of MAT. For purposes of this
12	Subparagraph, "MAT" means the use of medications with counseling and behavioral
13	therapies to treat substance use disorders and prevent opioid overdose.
14	D. The activities listed above in this Section may be performed in any setting
15	authorized by the supervising physician including but not limited to clinics,
16	hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, patient homes, nursing homes, other
17	institutional settings, and health manpower shortage areas.
18	* * *
19	§1360.37. Injunctive proceedings
20	* * *
21	C. In case of violation of any injunction issued under in accordance with the
22	provision provisions of this Part, the court shall try and punish the offender for
23	contempt of court in accordance with law.
24	* * *
25	§1515. Board of Veterinary Medicine; terms; compensation; removal
26	A.(1) There is <u>hereby</u> created within the Louisiana Department of
27	Agriculture and Forestry a board to be known as the Louisiana Board of Veterinary
28	Medicine which is subject to the provisions of R.S. 36:803.
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As used in this Chapter the following words shall have the meanings hereinafter ascribed to each:

- (4)(a) "Occupational therapy" means the application of any activity in which 5 6 one engages for the purposes of evaluation, interpretation, treatment planning, and 7 treatment of problems interfering with functional performance in persons impaired 8 by physical illness or injury, emotional disorders, congenital or developmental 9 disabilities, or the aging process, in order to achieve optimum functioning and 10 prevention and health maintenance. The occupational therapist may enter a case for 11 the purposes of providing consultation and indirect services and evaluating an 12 individual for the need of services. Prevention, wellness, and education related 13 education-related services shall not require a referral; however, in workers' 14 compensation injuries preauthorization shall be required by the employer or workers' 15 compensation insurer or provider. Implementation of direct occupational therapy to 16 individuals for their specific medical condition or conditions shall be based on a 17 referral or order from a physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered 18 nurse, dentist, podiatrist, or optometrist licensed to practice. Practice shall be in 19 accordance with published standards of practice established by the American 20 Occupational Therapy Association, Inc., and the essentials of accreditation 21 established by the agencies recognized to accredit specific facilities and programs.
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- 23 §3071. License of electrologists; qualifications; examinations; issuance of license; 24 waiver
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- 26 B.(1) The board shall license as an electrologist and issue an appropriate 27 certificate to any person who files with it a verified application therefor, 28 accompanied by the application fee required by this Part, together with evidence,

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1	verified by oath and satisfactory to the board, that he is meets all of the following
2	qualifications:
3	(a) At <u>He is at</u> least eighteen years of age;.
4	(b) Is <u>He is</u> of good moral character;.
5	(c) Is <u>He is</u> free of any infectious disease;.
6	(e) Has He has graduated from an accredited high school;
7	(f) After He has, after high school graduation, has successfully completed
8	a course in practical training in electrolysis in a school of electrology that maintains
9	the standards established and approved by the board or that he has completed a like
10	number of hours in the subject areas specified in an apprenticeship program
11	approved by the board at the time of certification;.
12	(g) Has He has passed an examination given and graded by the board, which
13	shall consist of a written examination and a practical demonstration of abilities;.
14	(h) Has He has paid any other fees required by this Chapter.
15	(2) Each applicant shall provide his subject for the practical demonstration.
16	Within ten days after each examination, the official in charge shall deliver the
17	question and answer question-and-answer papers to the board. The board shall
18	examine and rate the answers and shall transmit an official report to each applicant
19	for license stating the rating of the candidate in each subject and whether or not the
20	board approves the candidate for a license. If a candidate fails one or more parts of
21	an examination, he may take the parts in which he has failed in a subsequent
22	examination upon payment of a fifteen dollar examination fee. If after two attempts
23	the examination is not satisfactorily completed, the candidate thereafter shall be
24	required to repeat and take the entire examination within one year of the date of the
25	original examination.
26	* * *
27	Section 3. R.S. 39:98.3(B)(2) and (3), 98.4(B)(3)(a) and (b), 1536(A)(2), 1543(D),
28	and 1658 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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1	§98.3. Appropriations from the Health Excellence Fund, the Education Excellence
2	Fund, and the TOPS Fund
3	* * *
4	B. Appropriations from the Health Excellence Fund shall be restricted to the
5	following purposes:
6	* * *
7	(2) A program of research grants and projects that encourage the pursuit of
8	innovation in advanced health care sciences; such program shall support clinical and
9	laboratory research efforts based in Louisiana universities, as well as institutions
10	represented in the membership of the Medical Education Commission as provided
11	in R.S. 17:1519.8 R.S. 17:1519.12, and shall fund grants for both basic and applied
12	research in advanced health care sciences; such program shall encourage institutional
13	commitment and leveraging of state monies to secure private and federal funds and
14	shall be administered by the Board of Regents through an objective, competitive
15	process subject to peer review. The Board of Regents shall annually submit to the
16	legislature and the governor, not less than forty-five days prior to the beginning of
17	each regular session of the legislature, a proposed program and budget for the
18	expenditure of the funds appropriated to the Board of Regents for these purposes.
19	(3) Provision of comprehensive chronic disease management services,
20	including outpatient pharmacy for indigent and needy citizens of Louisiana, by the
21	facilities of the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, including but not
22	limited to the Health Care Services Division health care services division.
23	* * *
24	§98.4. Louisiana Fund
25	* * *
26	B. Appropriations from the Fund shall be restricted to the following purposes
27	provided in this Subsection, and no annual appropriation for any one of the purposes
28	enumerated in Paragraphs (1) through (4) of this Subsection may exceed fifty percent
29	of the total amount of monies appropriated from the Fund in any fiscal year:
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(3) Initiatives to benefit the citizens of Louisiana with respect to health care through:

3 (a) A program of research grants and projects that encourage the pursuit of 4 innovation in advanced health care sciences; such program shall support clinical and 5 laboratory research efforts based in Louisiana universities, as well as institutions 6 represented in the membership of the Medical Education Commission as provided 7 in R.S. 17:1519.8 R.S. 17:1519.12, and shall fund grants for both basic and applied 8 research in advanced health care sciences; such program shall encourage institutional 9 commitment and leveraging of state monies to secure private and federal funds and 10 shall be administered by the Board of Regents through an objective, competitive 11 process subject to peer review. The Board of Regents shall annually submit to the 12 legislature and the governor, not less than forty-five days prior to the beginning of each regular session of the legislature, a proposed program and budget for the 13 14 expenditure of the funds appropriated to the Board of Regents for these purposes. 15 (b) Provision of comprehensive chronic disease management services, 16 including outpatient pharmacy for indigent and needy citizens of Louisiana, by the 17 facilities of the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, included but not 18 limited to the Health Care Services Division health care services division. 19 20 §1536. Assessment of premiums 21 A. 22 23 (2) For the purposes of this Section, the term "agency" for higher education 24 entities shall mean each individual board, institution, or entity within postsecondary 25 education and the administration and each individual hospital within the Louisiana 26 State University Health Sciences Center Health Care Services Division health care 27 services division. 28

1 §1543. Unit of risk analysis and loss prevention 2 3 D. For the purposes of this Section, the term "agency" for higher education 4 entities shall mean each individual board, institution, or entity within postsecondary 5 education and the administration and each individual hospital within the Louisiana 6 State University Health Sciences Center Health Care Services Division health care 7 services division. 8 9 §1658. Purchase of prostheses, orthoses, prosthetic services, and orthotic services 10 by a state agency from an accredited facility 11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, regulations 12 promulgated by the commissioner of administration or other purchasing entity 13 governing the purchase of prostheses, orthoses, prosthetic services, or orthotic 14 services shall require that such services shall be purchased only from an accredited 15 facility as provided in R.S. 40:1300.281 R.S. 40:1225.1; however, nothing in this 16 Section shall prohibit a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed physical 17 therapist from practicing within his scope of practice. In addition, the provisions of 18 this Section shall not apply to a licensed optometrist, ophthalmologist, podiatrist, or 19 orthopedist. 20 Section 4. R.S. 40:4(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(a) and (b)(ii) and (iii), 21 5(A)(19) and (21)(a), 5.5(B), (C)(introductory paragraph) and (1) through (3), and (E), 22 5.5.2(D), 5.8(introductory paragraph) and (6)(introductory paragraph) and (a), 31.13(1), 23 39.1(A)(introductory paragraph), 75(A), 654(Section heading), 961(introductory paragraph), 24 (23), and (27)(b)(i), 966(A)(3), the heading of Part X-B of Chapter 4 of Title 40 of the 25 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 40:1024(B), 1046(Section heading), 26 1047(A)(introductory paragraph) and (4), 1061.17(B)(3)(a)(iii), 1122.1(B)(2), 1123.3(B)(2), 27 1133.15, 1139.6(introductory paragraph) and (8), 1168.3(Section heading), 1203.1(4)(a), (e), 28 (f), (h), (n), and (z), 1203.3(D)(2), 1223.3, 2017.10, 2018.3(B)(1)(h), 2018.6(B)(introductory 29 paragraph), (3)(b) and (i), and (C)(2)(a) and (3)(i), 2166.5(B)(12)(e)(introductory paragraph) and (ii), and 2180.25(B)(2)(m)(v) and (q) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
 follows:

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§4. Sanitary Code

A. The state health officer acting through the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health shall prepare, promulgate, and enforce rules and regulations embodied within the state's Sanitary Code covering all matters within his jurisdiction as defined and set forth in R.S. 40:5. The promulgation of this Sanitary Code shall be accomplished in strict accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act; and, further, in conformity with the following guidelines and directives:

11 (1)(a) In order to protect the consuming public against food-borne foodborne 12 disease, the rules and regulations contained in the Sanitary Code shall be designed so as to provide and require that all food products, including milk and milk products, 13 14 ice, bottled water, marine and freshwater seafood, animal products, frozen desserts 15 and toppings, and related similar foods, are produced from a safe and sanitary source, 16 and are prepared, processed, packaged, handled, stored, and transported in a sanitary 17 manner which will prevent contamination, spoilage, or adulteration. These food 18 product rules and regulations shall be further designed so as to provide that all 19 facilities, material, and equipment that may come into direct contact with any food 20 or food product must be of nontoxic content to ensure a sanitary, wholesome, and 21 nutritious product.

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(ii) Subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature, the state health
officer in conjunction with the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry
shall institute a public safety marketing campaign to warn the public about the risks
of consuming seafood from the People's Republic of China deemed to be safe by the
Seafood Inspection Program but which nevertheless contains hazardous substances.
The campaign shall include a warning label program as more specifically provided

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1	for in R.S. 40:5.5.2. The state health officer shall enter into a memorandum of
2	understanding with the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry to
3	implement this marketing campaign.
4	(iii) The Louisiana Retailers Association shall work with the Louisiana
5	Department of Agriculture and Forestry, the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and
6	Research Board, and other respective agencies to develop a voluntary assessment for
7	the implementation of the public safety marketing campaign.
8	* * *
9	§5. General powers and jurisdiction
10	A. The state health officer and the office of public health of the Louisiana
11	Department of Health shall have exclusive jurisdiction, control, and authority:
12	* * *
13	(19) To conduct health inspections and issue health permits through state
14	employed state-employed licensed sanitarians, or by licensed sanitarians of parish
15	health units or departments.
16	* * *
17	(21)(a) To conduct health, safety, and sanitation inspections, through state
18	employed state-employed licensed sanitarians, of any place upon receipt of a
19	complaint that the department determines shows appropriate and sufficient grounds
20	to indicate a health hazard or sanitary code violation may exist, regardless of whether
21	such place is licensed or not, or otherwise regulated.
22	* * *
23	§5.5. Sanitary inspections of certain restaurants food service establishments; food
24	safety certificates
25	* * *
26	B. No person, other than a representative of the restaurant, shall be notified
27	by the department of the time and place of the inspection prior thereto and shall be
28	nontransferable.

1 C. On or after January 1, 1999, the The state health officer and the office of 2 public health of the Louisiana Department of Health shall require, at a minimum, the 3 owner or a designated employee of a food service establishment to hold a food safety 4 certificate; however, the state health officer and the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health shall not require more than one owner or employee 5 6 per establishment to hold a food safety certificate. Provisions for the issuance and 7 renewal of such certificate shall be made part of the state's sanitary code in 8 accordance with the provisions of R.S. 40:4 and the following requirements, 9 conditions, and authorizations:

10 (1) The office of public health shall approve training programs for applicants 11 which impart and test knowledge of the nature, prevention, and control of food borne 12 foodborne illness transmission and of methods for identifying and monitoring critical 13 control points for safeguarding the production, processing, preparation, and serving 14 of food. Such training programs shall include but not be limited to instructions in 15 the standards set forth in the Applied Food Service Sanitation Program established 16 by the Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association or other 17 programs recognized in the food service industry. The office of public health shall 18 approve training programs administered or approved by another state, a political 19 subdivision, or other jurisdiction with standards that meet or exceed those 20 established by this Subsection.

(2) A food safety certificate shall be issued to any individual person who
files an application upon a form and in such a manner as prescribed by the sanitary
code, provided if such individual person furnishes satisfactory evidence that he has
completed an approved training program or has passed a written examination
provided by the individual or group providing approved training programs.

26 (3) A fee, not to exceed twenty-five dollars, may be imposed <u>on</u> and
27 collected from an individual or a food service establishment for a food safety
28 certificate to defer expenses in the administration of this Subsection.

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1	E.(1) For purposes of this Section, except as provided in Paragraph (2) of
2	this Subsection, "food service establishment" shall mean means an establishment
3	which meets the following criteria:
4	(1) The establishment prepares food for human consumption, either for
5	individual service or for a group of people, whether consumption is on or off the
6	premises and regardless if of whether there is a charge for the food.
7	(2) The term "food <u>service</u> establishment" does <u>shall</u> not include <u>any of the</u>
8	following:
9	(a) A private home private homes where food is prepared or served for
10	individual family consumption,
11	(b) A private club private clubs where food is prepared and served
12	exclusively for member consumption , .
13	(c) Religious religious or charitable food sales,
14	(d) An any establishment that heats or prepares boudin or sausage for
15	personal consumption,.
16	(e) A a bar or lounge that serves beverages only;
17	(f) A temporary and or seasonal establishments, establishment.
18	(g) A and bed and breakfast operations operation.
19	(h) A nursing facility.
20	(i) A public, private, or parochial school.
21	* * *
22	§5.5.2. Chinese seafood warning label program
23	* * *
24	D. With the cooperation and assistance of the Louisiana Retailers
25	Association, the Louisiana Restaurant Association, and other necessary
26	organizations, the state health officer in conjunction with the Louisiana Department
27	of Agriculture and Forestry shall encourage the display of the signage and other
28	promotional literature as provided for in Subsection C of this Section where seafood
29	sales occur.
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1	§5.8. Definitions
2	The following terms as used in this Chapter relative to public water systems
3	shall have the following meanings:
4	* * *
5	(6) "Public water system" means a system for the provision to the public of
6	water for potable purposes, through pipes or other constructed conveyances, if the
7	system has at least fifteen service connections or regularly serves an average of at
8	least twenty-five individuals daily at least sixty days out of the year. The term
9	includes <u>all of the following</u> :
10	(a) Any collection, treatment, storage, and distribution facilities under the
11	control of the operator of the system and used primarily in connection with the
12	system ; and .
13	* * *
14	§31.13. Development of immunization registry and tracking and recall system;
15	standards
16	The office of public health, a public health unit, or both, or their agents or
17	other providers may develop an immunization registry and an associated tracking
18	and recall system. The developer of any system shall consult providers in
19	developing the system to provide for a simple and efficient system of transferring
20	information. The registry and associated tracking system shall be named the
21	Louisiana Immunization Network (LINKS), and shall include but not be limited to
22	the following:
23	(1) Immunization records of all clients born or living within the jurisdiction
24	of the agency that develops the register registry.
25	* * *
26	§39.1. Certified copies of birth certificates and death certificates; clerks of district
27	courts and the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans; Vital Records
28	Conversion Fund
29	A. The state registrar of vital records shall promulgate rules to implement
30	the issuance of certified copies of birth certificates and death certificates through the

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1	office of the clerk of district court in each parish and the office of clerk of the Second
2	City Court of the city of New Orleans. Such rules shall apply only to issuance of
3	those birth and death records that are available for electronic issuance from the Vital
4	Records Registry birth and death databases of the vital records registry and shall
5	include access to the following items:
6	* * *
7	§75. Adult adoption; name changes
8	A. Adult adoptions and name changes resulting from the adoptions pursuant
9	to R.S. 9:465 shall have no effect on birth certificates maintained by the Vital
10	Records Registry vital records registry, except that when a name change is effected
11	pursuant to R.S. 9:465 and an affidavit is presented from the district attorney of the
12	parish or place of residence of the requesting party indicating that there is no
13	objection of the district attorney to the adoptee's name change along with a certified
14	copy of the notarial act of adoption and the appropriate fee, the registrar of vital
15	records shall prepare a new birth certificate to reflect the new name. If there is an
16	objection from the district attorney, the registrar of vital records shall not seal the
17	adopted person's birth certificate nor prepare a new certificate until the grounds for
18	the objection have been removed and confirmed by a supplemental affidavit from the
19	district attorney.
20	* * *
21	§654. Food processing plants; food-borne foodborne illness reporting and testing
22	requirements
23	* * *
24	§961. Definitions
25	As used in this Part, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed to
26	them in this Section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
27	* * *
28	(23) "Industrial hemp" means the plant Cannabis sativa and any part of that
29	plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers,

1	acids, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a
2	delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3 percent on a dry
3	weight basis and cultivated and processed in accordance with the U.S. Agriculture
4	Improvement Act of 2018, or the plan submitted by the Louisiana Department of
5	Agriculture and Forestry that is in compliance with the U.S. Department of
6	Agriculture rules.
7	* * *
8	(27)
9	* * *
10	(b) "Marijuana" shall not include the following:
11	(i) Industrial hemp that is in the possession, custody, or control of a person
12	who holds a license issued by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry,
13	or is cultivated and processed in accordance with the U.S. Agriculture Improvement
14	Act of 2018.
15	* * *
16	§966. Penalty for distribution or possession with intent to distribute narcotic drugs
17	listed in Schedule I; possession of marijuana, synthetic cannabinoids, and
18	heroin
19	A. Manufacture; distribution. Except as authorized by this Part, it shall be
20	unlawful for any person knowingly or intentionally:
21	* * *
22	(3) To cultivate, possess, process, or sell industrial hemp, industrial hemp
23	products, or viable industrial hemp seeds not in accordance with the U.S. Agriculture
24	Improvement Act of 2018 or the plan submitted by the Louisiana Department of
25	Agriculture and Forestry that is in compliance with the U.S. Department of
26	Agriculture rules.
27	* * *

1	PART X-B. TRANSACTIONS IN DRUG RELATED
2	DRUG-RELATED OBJECTS PROHIBITED
3	* * *
4	§1024. Exceptions; defenses; local needle exchanges
5	* * *
6	B. It shall be an affirmative defense that the person to whom the drug related
7	drug-related object or advertisement or notice was distributed had a prescription
8	from a licensed medical practitioner or psychiatrist for marijuana or the controlled
9	substance for which the object is primarily intended to be used. It is also an
10	affirmative defense that the drug related drug-related object was designed or
11	marketed as useful primarily for veterinary or agricultural purposes.
12	* * *
13	§1046. Recommendation and dispensing of marijuana for therapeutic use; rules and
14	regulations of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners and
15	Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; production facility licensing by the
16	Department of Agriculture and Forestry
17	* * *
18	§1047. Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry; authorization to obtain
19	criminal history record information
20	A. As used in this Section, the following terms shall have the following
21	meaning ascribed to them in this Subsection:
22	* * *
23	(4) "Department" means Louisiana the Department of Agriculture and
24	Forestry.
25	* * *
26	§1061.17. Woman's right to know
27	* * *
28	B. Informed consent; requirements. After a woman is determined to be
29	pregnant, no abortion shall be performed or induced without the voluntary and

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1	informed consent of the woman upon whom the abortion is to be performed or
2	induced. Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to an abortion is
3	voluntary and informed if and only if:
4	* * *
5	(3)(a) Written information from the physician. Except as provided in
6	Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph, at least seventy-two hours before the abortion,
7	the physician who is to perform the abortion or the referring physician has informed
8	the woman, in writing and read orally and in person of:
9	* * *
10	(iii) Whether the physician is currently board certified board-certified and,
11	if so, the medical specialty and the certifying organization.
12	* * *
13	§1122.1. Louisiana Rare Disease Advisory Council
14	* * *
15	В.
16	* * *
17	(2) The Louisiana Rare Disease Advisory Council hereby, referred to
18	hereafter in this Part as the "advisory council", shall serve only in a resource capacity
19	to any public and private agency located in this state that provide services for a
20	person who has been diagnosed with a rare disease.
21	* * *
22	§1123.3. Restroom access
23	* * *
24	B. This Section shall not apply to any retail establishment that meets either
25	of the following criteria:
26	* * *
27	(2) It maintains records or information that $\frac{1}{100}$ subject to the Health
28	Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, if the employee restroom is
29	located in an area where the records or information may be accessed.

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1	§1133.15. Hazardous substance transportation emergencies; payment for emergency
2	medical services
3	The person or entity who in the course of transporting hazardous substances
4	or materials causes or contributes to a discharge of a hazardous substance or material
5	that causes an emergency condition shall be obligated to pay the reasonable costs of
6	any emergency medical services provider whose presence or service, including
7	standby, is requested at such hazardous substance emergency by any person
8	authorized by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or the Department
9	of Environmental Quality to respond to a hazardous substance transportation
10	emergency. Nothing is in this Section shall affect the rights of any party to recover
11	under any other provision of law.
12	* * *
13	§1139.6. Powers and duties of the commission
14	In addition to the its duties defined elsewhere, the commission shall have the
15	duty and authority:
16	* * *
17	(8) To enter into contractual arrangements with recognized and duly
18	constituted ambulance providers which are primarily engaged in the operation of
19	ambulance related ambulance-related functions in order to enhance Medicaid
20	funding and reimbursement, and for related matters.
21	* * *
22	§1168.3. Data system; components; reporting; design in collaboration with medical
23	schools certain higher education institutions; public records exception
24	* * *
25	§1203.1. Definitions
26	For the purposes of this Part:
27	* * *
28	(4) "Employer" means any of the following facilities, agencies, providers,
29	or programs:

1	(a) A nursing facility , as defined in R.S. 40:2009.2.
2	* * *
3	(e) A home health agency; as defined in R.S. 40:2116.31.
4	(f) A hospice, as defined in R.S. 40:2182.
5	* * *
6	(h) A home- and community-based service provider, as defined in R.S.
7	40:2120.2.
8	* * *
9	(n) A pediatric day health care facility, as defined in R.S. $40:2193.1(B)(5)$.
10	* * *
11	(z) A free-standing birth center, as defined in R.S. 40:2180.23.
12	* * *
13	§1203.3. Refusal to hire or contract; termination of employment; exemption; appeal
14	procedure; waiver
15	* * *
16	D.
17	* * *
18	(2) The employment prohibition provided for in this Section shall not apply
19	to a state certified state-certified hospice attendant as provided for in R.S. 40:2192.
20	* * *
21	§1223.3. Definitions
22	As used in this Part, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed in
23	this Section:
24	(1) "Asynchronous store and forward transfer" means the transmission of a
25	patient's medical information from an originating site to the provider at the distant
26	site without the patient being present.
27	(2) "Distant site" means the site at which the healthcare provider delivering
28	the service is located at the time the service is provided via a telecommunications
29	system.

1 (3) "Healthcare provider" means a person, partnership, limited liability 2 partnership, limited liability company, corporation, facility, or institution licensed 3 or certified by this state to provide healthcare or professional services as a physician 4 assistant, hospital, nursing home, dentist, registered nurse, advanced practice 5 registered nurse, licensed dietitian or nutritionist, licensed practical nurse, certified 6 nurse assistant, offshore health service provider, ambulance service, licensed 7 midwife, pharmacist, speech-language pathologist, audiologist, optometrist, 8 podiatrist, chiropractor, physical therapist, occupational therapist, certified or 9 licensed athletic trainer, psychologist, medical psychologist, social worker, licensed 10 professional counselor, licensed perfusionist, licensed respiratory therapist, licensed 11 radiologic technologist, licensed hearing aid dealer, or licensed clinical laboratory 12 scientist.

(4) "Originating site" means the location of the patient at the time the service
is furnished via a telecommunications system or when the asynchronous store and
forward transfer occurs.

(5) "Synchronous interaction" means communication through interactive
technology that enables a healthcare provider and a patient at two locations separated
by distance to interact via two-way video and audio transmissions simultaneously.
The healthcare provider may utilize interactive audio without the requirement of
video if, after access and review of the patient's medical records, the provider
determines that he is able to meet the same standard of care as if the healthcare
services were provided in person.

(6)(a) "Telehealth" means healthcare services, including behavioral health
services, provided by a healthcare provider, as defined in this Section, to a person
through the use of electronic communications, information technology, asynchronous
store-and-forward transfer technology, or synchronous interaction between a
provider at a distant site and a patient at an originating site, including but not limited
to assessment of, diagnosis of, consultation with, treatment of, and remote

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1	monitoring of a patient, and transfer of medical data. The term "telehealth" shall not
2	include any of the following:
3	(i) Electronic mail messages and text messages that are not compliant with
4	applicable requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
5	of 1996, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1320d et seq.
6	(ii) Facsimile transmissions.
7	(b) For purposes of this Paragraph, "behavioral health services" means those
8	services as defined in R.S. 40:2153 that are appropriate for the patient and delivered
9	by a licensed mental health professional, acting within the scope of applicable state
10	laws and his professional license for services identified by Louisiana Department of
11	Health, to treat mental illness or substance use.
12	* * *
13	§2017.10. Emergency medical services program; cooperation of other state
14	departments
15	A. The Louisiana Department of Health shall establish, maintain, and operate
16	an effective program which will provide adequate emergency medical services for
17	persons injured on the roads and highways of the state, whether through the
18	excessive use of alcoholic beverages or otherwise. The program shall be
19	administered by the department, with such assistance and use of facilities of other
20	agencies of the state and its political subdivisions as will best and most efficiently
21	serve the interests of public health and safety of the citizens of Louisiana through the
22	furnishing of emergency medical services deemed by the department to be best
23	calculated to protect and preserve the health and welfare of persons injured on the
24	roads and highways and in emergency situations contributing to such injuries and
25	report the results of such services. To this end the Department of Public Safety, the
26	Civil Defense Agency and Corrections and such other boards, commissions,
27	departments, and agencies of the state and its political subdivisions as the department
28	shall deem necessary therefor shall cooperate with and assist the department, at its
29	request.

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1	\underline{B} . In order to effectuate the emergency medical services program herein
2	provided for <u>in this Section</u> , the department shall have authority to adopt and enforce
3	rules and regulations pertaining thereto and to do and perform all things and acts
4	which it deems necessary or desirable for the purpose.
5	* * *
6	§2018.3. Louisiana Sickle Cell Commission
7	* * *
8	B.(1) Thirteen members shall be appointed by the governor, subject to
9	Senate confirmation, as follows:
10	* * *
11	(h) One member from a list of nominees submitted by the Southwest
12	Louisiana Sickle Cell Anemia, Inc.
13	* * *
14	§2018.6. Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council creation; purpose;
15	termination
16	* * *
17	B. For purposes of this Section, the following definitions shall apply:
18	* * *
19	(3) "Palliative care" means an approach that improves the quality of life of
20	patients and their families facing the problems associated with life-threatening
21	illnesses, through the prevention and relief of suffering by means of early
22	identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other problems,
23	physical, psychosocial, and spiritual. "Palliative care" services:
24	* * *
25	(b) Affirm life and regards regard dying as a normal process.
26	* * *
27	(i) Are applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other
28	therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy,

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1	and includes include those investigations needed to better understand and manage
2	distressing clinical complications.
3	* * *
4	С.
5	* * *
6	(2) The council shall be composed of the following seventeen members:
7	(a) Four physician members, including two who are board certified board-
8	certified in hospice and palliative care, one who shall be board certified board-
9	certified in pain management, and one who shall be board certified board-certified
10	in pediatric care appointed by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners.
11	* * *
12	(3) The council may engage and solicit, as necessary, input,
13	recommendations, and guidance pertaining to palliative care from interested parties
14	and stakeholders including but not limited to the following:
15	* * *
16	(i) AARP Louisiana (AARP) .
17	* * *
18	§2166.5. Rules and regulations; licensing standards; fees
19	* * *
20	B. The department shall prescribe, promulgate, and publish rules,
21	regulations, and licensing standards including but not limited to the following:
22	* * *
23	(12)
24	* * *
25	(e) For purposes of this Paragraph, the following definitions shall apply:
26	* * *
27	(ii) "Resident" means the <u>a</u> resident of the <u>a</u> licensed adult residential care
28	providers provider facility or the his legal or designated representative of the
29	resident.
30	* * *

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1	§2180.25. Rules and regulations; licensing standards
2	* * *
3	В.
4	* * *
5	(2) The rules, regulations, and licensing standards shall have the effect of
6	law and shall include, but not be limited to:
7	* * *
8	(m) Requirements for each free-standing birth center to have agreements or
9	written policies and procedures with other agencies, institutions, or individuals, for
10	services to clients including but not limited to:
11	* * *
12	(v) Obstetric/newborn Obstetric and newborn acute care in hospitals.
13	* * *
14	(q) Requirements for documentation and evidence that the delivery is
15	expected to be low risk low-risk, singleton birth, and vertex presentation.
16	* * *
17	Section 5. R.S. 46:236.1.2(A)(introductory paragraph), 450.3(introductory
18	paragraph) and (C)(2), 450.5(A) through (C) and (D)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (3),
19	450.6(A) and (B)(1), 1933(B), 1952(introductory paragraph), 2169.1(7), 2626(H)(1)(d),
20	2741(A), 2742(C), and 2757(C)(1)(e) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
21	§236.1.2. Family and child support programs; responsibilities
22	A. The department is hereby authorized to develop and implement a program
23	of family support in FITAP cases, Title IV-E Foster Care cases, Medicaid only
24	Medicaid-only cases, and any other category of cases to which the state is required
25	by federal law or regulation to provide services, designed to do the following:
26	* * *
27	§450.3. WIC participants; homeless
28	* * *

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- C. For purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the following
 meanings:
 - * *
- 4 (2) "Qualified organization" means any organization, association, 5 corporation, coalition, confederation, company, business, alliance, establishment, 6 enterprise, firm, club, league, lodge, order, fellowship, fraternity, brotherhood, union, 7 society, group, governmental entity, or other similar body that has met the 8 requirements set forth in rules of the Louisiana Department of Health for proper 9 registration with the Vital Records Registry vital records registry as an organization 10 which may confirm the identity of displaced persons. 11 §450.5. Chronic kidney disease; evaluation; classification; criteria; healthcare 12 coverage 13 A. Any enrollee in Medicaid who is eligible for services and who has a 14 diagnosis of diabetes or hypertension, or who has a family history of kidney disease, 15 shall be evaluated for kidney disease through routine clinical laboratory assessments 16 of kidney function. 17 B. Any enrollee in Medicaid who is eligible for services and who has been 18 diagnosed with diabetes or hypertension or who has a family history of kidney 19 disease, and who has received a diagnosis of kidney disease, shall be classified as a 20 chronic kidney patient. 21 C. The diagnostic criteria which that define chronic kidney disease (CKD) 22 should be generally recognized clinical practice guidelines, which identify chronic 23 kidney disease or its complications based on the presence of kidney damage and 24 level of kidney function. 25 D. In keeping with the Medicaid disease management program of the 26 Louisiana Department of Health, Medicaid program's disease management program, 27 patients receiving Medicaid benefits who are at risk for chronic kidney disease will 28 be tracked regarding appropriate diagnostic testing. Medicaid providers will be
- 29 educated and disease management strategies implemented in order to increase the

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1	rate of evaluation and treatment for chronic kidney disease according to accepted
2	practice guidelines including:
3	(1) Managing risk factors, which may prolong kidney function or delay
4	progression to kidney replacement therapy.
5	* * *
6	(3) Improving <u>the</u> nutritional status of chronic kidney disease patients.
7	* * *
8	§450.6. Election of Chafee Option
9	A. To the extent federal financial participation is available pursuant to an
10	approved state Medicaid plan amendment, the Louisiana Department of Health shall
11	exercise its option under 42 U.S.C. 1396a(10)(A)(ii)(XVII) to extend to independent
12	foster care adolescents as defined by 42 U.S.C. 1396d(w)(1) who are not otherwise
13	Medicaid eligible Medicaid-eligible in accordance with such requirements as were
14	in effect as of April 1, 2008, either of the following types of benefits:
15	(1) an <u>An</u> alternative benefits package authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1396u-7 as
16	set forth in Subsection B of this Section; or.
17	(2) regular Regular Medicaid benefits under as provided in the Medical
18	Assistance Plan.
19	B. For purposes of Subsection A of this Section, the alternative benefits
20	package may include:
21	(1) A high deductible high-deductible private insurance policy.
22	* * *
23	§1933. Organization and powers
24	* * *
25	B. Any multiparish juvenile detention home district may acquire title by
26	purchase or donation to real and personal property for public purposes; and may
27	own, operate, or maintain facilities for the housing, care, supervision, maintenance,
28	and education of juveniles under the age of eighteen years, and for individuals

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1	eighteen years of age and over who were under eighteen years of age when they
2	committed an alleged offense.
3	* * *
4	§1952. Definitions
5	As used in this Chapter;:
6	* * *
7	§2169.1. Powers and duties
8	The office shall have the following powers and duties:
9	* * *
10	(7) To assist state departments and agencies and other stakeholders in
11	drafting plans to maximize the impact of the use of such funds identified in
12	Paragraph (6) of this Section.
13	* * *
14	§2626. Fees on emergency ground ambulance service providers; disposition of fees
15	* * *
16	H.(1) No additional assessment shall be collected and any assessment shall
17	be terminated for the remainder of the fiscal year from the date on which any of the
18	following occur:
19	* * *
20	(d) The amount of the reimbursement for emergency and nonemergency
21	ground ambulance services payable by any participant in the Bayou Health Plan or
22	Medicaid managed care organization falls below one hundred percent of the
23	Medicaid rate in effect at the time the service is rendered.
24	* * *
25	§2741. Legislative findings and purpose
26	A.(1)(a) The current methodology for reimbursement of services to Medicaid
27	recipients provided by nursing homes was implemented in 1984 prior to major
28	changes in federal laws relative to nursing home staffing, provision of patient care,
29	enforcement, and regulatory requirements.

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1	(b) (2) The current methodology did not anticipate changes in Medicare and
2	other health insurance programs that have resulted in patients with more complex
3	medical problems being discharged to nursing homes.
4	(c) (3) The current methodology provides a disincentive for capital formation
5	to maintain and update physical plants of nursing homes and provides a disincentive
6	to admit patients with high care needs.
7	(d) (4) The legislature finds that a number of state Medicaid programs have
8	adopted case mix reimbursement systems which factor into nursing homes' rates the
9	care level and resource needs of the patients receiving services.
10	(e) (5) The legislature further finds that a rental system for reimbursing
11	capital costs would encourage investment in the renovation and replacement of
12	nursing homes creating a more homelike environment and better quality of life for
13	the patients.
14	* * *
15	§2742. Case mix reimbursement
16	* * *
17	C. In the event the Louisiana Department of Health is required to implement
18	reductions in the nursing home program as a result of a budget shortfall, a budget
19	reduction category shall be created. This category shall reduce the statewide average
20	Medicaid rate, without changing the parameters established in this Section, by
21	reducing the reimbursement rate paid to each nursing home using an equal amount
22	per patient per day. The direct care spending floor shall be decreased one percentage
23	point for each thirty cent thirty-cent reduction in the average Medicaid rate computed
24	under this system not to be reduced to below ninety percent of the median.
25	* * *
26	§2757. Single state entity for children; additional duties and functions
27	* * *
28	C.(1) Based on the findings and intent of the legislature as declared in
29	Subsections A and B of this Section, the commission shall develop no later than

1	March 1, 2004, a plan for the creation of a single state entity to provide services to
2	children and their families, which plan shall:
3	* * *
4	(e) Identify and provide specifics concerning requirements for implementing
5	the single state agency, including but not limited to necessary personnel, funds,
6	office space, facilities, and equipment. Such specifics shall include such information
7	as: total dollars requested by appropriate budget categories and, to the extent
8	appropriate, by program and by organizational unit; the number and classification
9	of necessary personnel, by program and organizational unit; explanation of how the
10	requirements will be provided, including the transfer and utilization of the personnel,
11	funds, facilities, and equipment of transferred entities; how functions, including
12	management and finance related functions and data processing, will be consolidated;
13	and how services may be provided more effectively.
14	* * *
15	Section 6. Children's Code Article 1150(2)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to
16	read as follows:
17	Art. 1150. Definitions
18	As used in this Chapter:
19	* * *
20	(2) "Designated emergency care facility" means any of the following:
21	* * *
22	(b) Any of the following medical clinics during normal and customary hours
23	of operation: local or parish public health units, licensed rural health clinics, licensed
24	ambulatory surgical centers, and Federally Qualified Health Centers federally
25	qualified health centers. Offices, clinics, or other types of treatment facilities,
26	private physicians, or dentists not listed above are not designated emergency care
27	facilities within the meaning of this Subparagraph.
28	* * *

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1 Section 7. R.S. 40:5.5(F) and (G) and 1249.1(A) and (B) and Section 4 of Act No.

- 2 449 of the 2006 Regular Session are hereby repealed in their entirety.
- 3 Section 8. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby authorized and directed to
- 4 arrange in alphabetical order and renumber the defined terms comprising R.S. 40:1061.9,
- 5 1105.1, and 2120.2.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Makes technical corrections to provisions of law in Titles 28, 37, 39, 40, and 46 of the La. Revised Statutes, the La. Children's Code, and uncodified law within or relating to the subject matter of the legislative committees on health and welfare.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides relative to <u>present law</u> in Titles 28, 37, 39, 40, and 46 of the La. Revised Statutes, the La. Children's Code, and uncodified law concerning matters within and relating to the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative committees on health and welfare.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes technical corrections in <u>present law</u> relative to behavioral health, human services, administration of the La. Department of Health, administration of the Department of Children and Family Services, healthcare institutions and services, professions and occupations, boards and commissions, public health, food and drugs, public welfare and assistance, and child welfare.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes corrective changes including corrections in legal citations and in names of organizations, programs, publications, institutions, agencies, boards, commissions, departments, and offices and officers of departments.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes references to agencies, other legal entities, and programs that have been repealed or no longer exist. Repeals obsolete findings and references to outdated information.

Proposed law provides for the proper designation of undesignated provisions of present law.

(Amends R.S. 28:2(intro. para.) and (28), 51.1(A)(3)(b) and (d), 70(A), and 915(F)(3), R.S. 37:752(3), (6), (7), and (9)(c) and (d)(ii), 753(A) and (I), 761(A)(2) and (4), 764(A)(4) and (5), 771.1(A) and (B)(1), 786.1(A)(intro. para.) and (1), 792(B) and (C)(1), 793(G)(2), 796(A), (B)(7), (D), and (F), 796.1(A), 966, 971, 976, 1007(A)(2)(c), 1176(A)(3), 1218(3), 1218.1(A), 1285(A)(25), 1360.24(A)(intro. para.) and (3) and (B), 1360.26, 1360.31(C)(4) and (D), 1360.37(C), 1515(A)(1), 3003(intro. para.) and (4)(a), and 3071(B)(1) and (2), R.S. 39:98.3(B)(2) and (3), 98.4(B)(3)(a) and (b), 1536(A)(2), 1543(D), and 1658, R.S. 40:4(A)(intro. para.) and (1)(a) and (b)(ii) and (iii), 5(A)(19) and (21)(a), 5.5(B), (C)(intro. para.) and (1)-(3), and (E), 5.5.2(D), 5.8(intro. para.) and (6)(intro. para.) and (a), 31.13(1), 39.1(A)(intro. para.), 75(A), 654(Section heading), 961(intro. para.), (23), and (27)(b)(i), 966(A)(3), the heading of Part X-B of Ch. 4 of Title 40 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 40:1024(B), 1046(Section heading), 1047(A)(intro. para.) and (4), 1061.17(B)(3)(a)(iii), 1122.1(B)(2), 1123.3(B)(2), 1133.15, 1139.6(intro. para.) and (8), 1168.3(Section heading), 1203.1(4)(a), (e), (f), (h), (n), and (z), 1203.3(D)(2), 1223.3, 2017.10, 2018.3(B)(1)(h), 2018.6(B)(intro. para.), (3)(b) and (i), and (C)(2)(a) and (3)(i), 2166.5(B)(12)(e)(intro. para.)

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and (ii), and 2180.25(B)(2)(m)(v) and (q), R.S. 46:236.1.2(A)(intro. para.), 450.3(intro. para.) and (C)(2), 450.5(A)-(C) and (D)(intro. para.), (1), and (3), 450.6(A) and (B)(1), 1933(B), 1952(intro. para.), 2169.1(7), 2626(H)(1)(d), 2741(A), 2742(C), and 2757(C)(1)(e), and Ch.C. Art. 1150(2)(b); Repeals R.S. 40:5.5(F) and (G) and 1249.1(A) and (B) and §4 of Act No. 449 of the 2006 R.S.)