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Abstract: Provides for the over-the-counter sale and purchase of ivermectin without a prescription from any healthcare professional.

<u>Proposed law</u> shall be known and may be cited as the "Ivermectin Access Law".

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "ivermectin" as a Food and Drug Administration-approved antiparasitic drug used to treat several untreated tropical diseases and infections caused by some parasitic worms and head lice and skin conditions like rosacea. <u>Proposed law</u> also defines "over-the-counter medication" as medication that may be legally sold and purchased without a prescription.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "healthcare professional" in accordance with the provisions of <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> permits the sale and purchase of ivermectin suitable for human use as an over-the-counter medication. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides that such sale or purchase shall not require a prescription from any healthcare professional.

(Adds R.S. 40:1051-1053)