## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Establishes a digital network to access behavioral health services and requires the office of behavioral health to implement the network.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the office of behavioral health within LDH to implement, operate, and maintain a digital network and to provide funds for the implementation, operation, and maintenance of such a program.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the digital network shall include comprehensive referral services, support, and information relating to the early intervention, prevention, and support for individuals with mental health or substance use disorder-related issues.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the digital network to be made available to healthcare facilities licensed in accordance with <u>present law</u> and providing behavioral health and substance use disorder services to patients in this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the digital network to include certain resources for military veterans.

(Adds R.S. 40:2159.3)